

7 April 2016
Minutes of the Marine Corps League meeting
Commiskey - Wheat Detachment

1830 Hrs: Commandant Hall calls for order. SAA Hoerner posted colors, led in the pledge of allegiance and the singing of the Marine Corps Hymn. Chaplain Maples led the invocation and opened the Holy Bible. SAA Hoerner declared this meeting of the Marine Corps League open for the conducting of official business.

Sick Bay: Charlie Holt is in the hospital, Bob Sims is in need of calls to support him during this time of grief after burying his wife this week. Dave Welborn is doing well this week, and Betty Drake is in the house tonight ooh rah.

State Jr. Vice Commandant Ron Polk is with us tonight, so welcome aboard. Ron spoke to us on membership drives and the upcoming Trail of Honors.

Announcements: None

Adjutants Report: Motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes was made by Cliff Addison, seconded by Mark Retcho and passed. Minutes are on our web site for anyone that wants to read them.

Paymasters Report: Presented by Frank Milling, Motion to accept as read. Motion made by Bill Perkins. Seconded by Gary Campbell and passed. Report is on file with the Adjutant

Scholarship Fund: Three applications have been received and will be narrowed down to one this month.

Building / Membership: Cliff Addison gave thanks to Bill Perkins for coming by and mowing the lawn. There will be a field day held this Saturday to clean-up the area. This Saturday 0900. Bring wheelbarrows and rakes.

21 May: Hattiesburg Convention Center will be hosting a luncheon for Vietnam Vets. The Vet, plus one guest, will be given a free lunch. All others will pay \$15.00 to help cover the expense. Bill Perkins made a motion that we contribute \$250.00 toward this event. Seconded by Jeffrey Broome and passed.

W.C. Maples addressed the group to let us know that he will be out of country next month and Cliff Addison will be in charge during his absence. He also shared his concern over all DD-214s being centrally filed, along with everything else, the over-usage of the air conditioner, the need of fund-raisers and the fact that we still need a chairman for the Golf Tournament.

Roy Royals spoke on other fund-raisers. Number one being that Belk's has given us 400 tickets that we can sell for \$5.00 each and those proceeds go into our general funds. The tickets can be exchanged at Belk's on April 30.

Southern Miss will give us air-time on their radio station if we make arrangements at least a week in advance.

Jeffrey Broome announced that the Mobile Detachment, MCL, has utilized road blocks that generates \$10,000 . Bill Perkins is to check with Tom King on the legality of this fund raiser on Mississippi Highways, Cliff Addison is to check with the county supervisors and Wiley Sellers said that he would cover the local officials.

Cliff Addison spoke as the Senior Vice Commandant being the chairman of the Budget committee. This committee consist of the Commandant, Senior Vice Commandant, Paymaster, Adjutant and two members at large. Then he read the official by-laws as to the purpose of the Marine Corps League. In short we are here to serve others that are in need.

Cliff Addison made a motion that we purchase a collectors edition Henry "Silverboy" 22 cal. rifle for \$400-\$450.00 and sell \$5.00 tickets for a drawing to be conducted at the Marine Corps Ball this year. Seconded by Jeffrey Broome and passed.

Frank Milling presented a book by Lee Reynolds titled " Ringside at Parris Island" and suggested that we send a thank-you note on letterhead paper.

Good of the order: Emil Zimmermann will not be able to participate in the golf tournament Monday morning at the Purvis Pine Creek course and asked for a replacement to cover for him. Dave Fuller volunteered to take his place, Good luck Dave.

Jeffrey Broome sent out a copy of the Mobile Detachment's Newsletter to show us how much they are doing and to encourage us to get off our Duffs and HELP others.

Bill Perkins asked if we had a relief fund in our budget and suggested that we establish one.

Ron Polk officiated over the appointment of all new officers This included W.C. Maples as Commandant, Cliff Addison as Senior Vice Commandant, Jeffrey Broome as Junior Vice Commandant, Robert Robertson as Paymaster, Mark Retcho as Adjutant, Wiley Sellers as Chaplain and the position of Judge Advocate is to remain Bill Perkins, as well as the Sergeant at Arms remaining Edward Dick Hoerner.

Commandant Maples called for SAA Hoerner to retire the colors. Sr. Vice conducted the duties of his post. Chaplain Sellers led the benediction, closed the Holy Bible and read the names of members now guarding the gates of heaven.

SAA Hoerner declared this meeting of the Commiskey- Wheat Detachment of the Marine Corps League closed for the purpose of conducting official business until 5 May 2016.

Respectfully Submitted
Adjutant Robert Robertson
Semper Fi