

MARINE CORPS LEAGUE
MIDDLE GEORGIA DETACHMENT # 970
October 2nd, 2012
Meeting Minutes

Opening by Ritual: Meeting called to order by Commandant Joe Barbee.

Commandant Joe Barbee read the Mission Statement for the Marine Corps League.

There were 27 regular members present, 2 Associate members present and 5 visitors bringing the total number present to 34.

Visitors were Gail and Al Smith; he was on active duty from 1952 through 1956. Sue Chipman wife of our Ron Chipman was present and Gerald Jackson was again visiting us.

Roll Call of Officers: Absent was Jr. Past Commandant Bo Stollenwerck.

Meeting Minutes: Motion was made to accept the minutes as posted in the news letter and distributed.

Motion by Tom Hisel and seconded by Richard Bennett. Motion Carried.

Correspondence: The Commandant received a thank you note from the Bravo 1/5 Vietnam Veterans Association for participating and being a big help with the Sgt. Rodney Davis Monument fund drive that has just been completed. Over 78 thousand dollars so far has been raised for this fund.

We have also received an invite to come to the Marine Corps Birthday event put on by the Marines at the Warner Robins Helicopter Detachment. If you are interested in participating contact Joe as he has all the information for you. The Toys for Tots Golf Tournament fund raiser will be hosted by an Atlanta Detachment so if you are interested about this event also contact Joe for information. We also received an invite from the local NAACP for the 40th annual Earl Shinholster freedom fund award banquet. Get in touch with Joe if interested in attending. The 1/5 Rodney Davis people will be having their annual clean up of the Linwood Cemetery where Rodney is buried. This is the last clean up before the Monument is dedicated on November the 10th.

Financial Report: Paymaster Ray Walker reported on the present financial situation: The beginning balance was \$6816.52. Disbursements of \$22.00 and deposit of \$92.00. The ending balance was \$6878.52. A detailed report may be gotten from the Paymaster if required. Motion was made to accept the Paymasters report by David Mincey and seconded by Bob Burns. Motion Carried.

Sickness and Distress: Michael Clark is in the Hospital. Tuffy gave us a report that Michael is supposed to go home on Wednesday. The Doctors do not know what was wrong other than he was having trouble speaking and his throat was giving him problems so he could not breathe so well. Doug Corbin reported that Jeremie Frasure was at home now and seemed to be doing all right. Mike San Palo was back and it was good to see him with us again.

Officer's report: David Mincey reported on the 18th and 19th of October visit to Parris Island. We have some rooms available for 16 folks at the Days Inn at Port Royal. David read a brief draft of the outline for our visit. The cost will be \$57.00 a person for double occupancy. We all will be going by private auto. We will leave at 0800 Thursday the 18th of October and be back the 19th late afternoon.

Mr. Paul Odom reported that the Nominating Committee has a slate of Marines that have agreed to run for the upcoming Officers for our Detachment elections in November.

Standing Committees: Joe stated that we have all the committees selected for the upcoming Department Convention except for the Hospitality Room. We need someone to step-up and take this committee seat. Joe briefly stated what we need this person to do.

Phil McGoldrick reported on the upcoming Veterans Day event at Macon Memorial Park. The ceremony will be held November the 9th, 1100 hours at Macon Memorial Park. Phil would like to have our Color Guard and Honor Guard there for the event.

Good of the League: The Marine Corps Birthday celebration will be at the Ball Room at Macon State this year. Sue Chipman gave us the details and the menu and the cost was discussed. It was decided by vote to have a sit-down dinner with a buffet. The meal will cost us \$15.00 for each person. The Celebration will start at 1800 hours. The newsletter will have direction and where to park at the West end of the College.

The Department Staff Conference will not be in November as previously posted. We will have it on December the 8th. There are rooms available at the Centerplex Marriot Hotel for anyone that wishes to come in on Friday the 7th.

There is a new Detachment being chartered in Columbus Georgia on the 27th of October. The officers will be sworn in at this time and any Marine Corps League member wishing to participate contact Commandant Joe Barbee for information and directions.

A motion was made from the floor by C.L. Eldridge Jr. to have our Charter Paper displayed unfolded so that the names of Charter members can be seen from the front. Motion seconded by Bobby Sheppard and the motion was passed.

There being no further business the meeting was closed by ritual.

Minutes submitted by
Jeff Amerson, Adjutant.