

“HOWLIN MAD” SMITH DETACHMENT 592

BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA

MARINE CORPS LEAGUE MINUTES

20 NOV 21

Call to Order

Commandant Mike Ryan called the meeting to order at 1001.

The ceremony was opened by the Sgt. At Arms, John Wilson. Colors were presented. Johnny Burk offered a prayer.

Roll Call of Officers

Meeting commenced by the roll call of officers by the Adjutant, Janna Joyner. All were present except Judge Advocate, Walt Williams.

Recognition

There was one first time guest, Ron Kessler, Chaplain of the Smitty Detachment in Decatur, AL.

There were no Gold Star family present to be recognized.

Southeast Division Chaplain Johnny Burks was recognized.

Former Commandants stood and were recognized.

There were no WWII vets present to be recognized.

Korean War veterans stood to be recognized.

Vietnam War and era veterans stood and were recognized.

First & Second Gulf War and War on Terror veterans stood and were recognized.

Old Business

The Adjutant’s report was presented by Janna Joyner. Minutes from 16 OCT 21 were posted on the website. The motion to accept the minutes as posted was made by Tyler Nabors and was seconded by Roy Adkins. There was no correspondence to report.

The Paymaster’s report was presented by Paymaster, John Hilmer. The Mutual fund has \$17,550 in it and the checking has \$6,544.03. The scholarship funds are caught up at this time and have \$120 in it. The golf tournament brought in \$8,323.75. The Belk sale brought in \$1,724. A motion was made to give \$1000 to the Devil Dogs by Danny Rooks and was seconded by Tyler Nabors. The motion was passed by a vote of the detachment. The motion to accept the paymaster’s report was made, seconded and approved.

The Chaplain’s Report was presented by Johnny Burks. Joe Findley passed away. His service will be at Jefferson Memorial Funeral Home in Trussville Wednesday, 24 Nov 21 at 1100 and visitation will be from 1000 – 1100.

Wiley Monteabaro had knee surgery but is present today. Mickey Head will have a knee replacement in a couple weeks. Rod Ryan is doing ok. Whitey Glanton's wife is in the nursing home. Johnny Burk's wife has breast cancer and will undergo chemotherapy.

Commandant Mike Ryan, reported that MOY and AMOY nominations must be submitted to the department by 15 MAR 22.

The Sr. Vice Commandant report was presented by Mike Montabana. He noted that the toys for Toys For Tots will be picked up on 4 DEC 21 at our Christmas Party. He also mentioned that the Magic City Boppers and Knights of Columbus were bringing toys for us to collect.

The Jr. Vice commandant's report was presented by Wiley Monteabaro. Wiley let all members know that our attendance has been doing a little better. We had 58 here today but that is still not as large a crowd as before COVID.

The Judge Advocate report was offered by Commandant Mike Ryan. Department bylaw proposals must be submitted to the Department bylaws committee no later than 31 DEC 21.

Jr. Past Commandant had nothing to report.

Committee Reports

Brian Gierlatowicz had nothing to report for the VA Hospital Visitation Squad.

No American Legion Post #171 representative was present to give a report.

Brian Gierlatowicz reported that the Iwo Jima reenactment team will be at Kirkwood Retirement Home on 11 DEC 21 and will be at Bethel Baptist Church on 12 DEC 21.

The Librarian report was made by John Hilmer. He stated that we can access books if needed.

Commandant Mike Ryan let the members know that the website is up to date and pictures from the golf tournament will be posted soon.

Wiley Monteabaro reported for the ship store. He reported that the store is low at this time but will be getting more merchandise in.

Wayne Odell reported that the Belk sale took Place on 18, 19, 21 and 22 OCT 21. Those who worked the sale were Danny Rooks, William Fite, Wiley Monteabaro, Dolly Campis and Wayne Odell. They raised \$1095 in ticket sales and \$114 in donations.

New Business

Col Davis is the coordinator for Toys For Tots and will let us know how the toys will be handed off to Echo Co., 4th Combat Engineer Battalion, 4th Marine Division, Marine Corps Forces Reserve on 4 DEC 21 at our Christmas party.

Howlin Mad Smith cake cutting ceremony was on 6 NOV 21. The oldest Marine present was John Birmingham and the youngest was Andrea Murphy.

Good of The League

Commandant Mike Ryan stated that there would be a Devil dog growl after the meeting.

The raffle was completed by the Sr. Vice Commandant Mike Montabana.

Closing

Sergeant at Arms retired the colors and closed the meeting.

Prayer was given by Johnny Burks.

The meeting was adjourned by Commandant Mike Ryan at 1116.