

**ST. AUGUSTINE-PALM COAST NAVY LEAGUE COUNCIL  
MEETING MINUTES  
July 13, 2020**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting of the St. Augustine-Palm Coast Navy League Council was held July 13, 2020 via a Zoom meeting. The meeting was called to order at 5:38 PM by President Patrick McCormack.

**MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:** Sally Watson, Patrick McCormack, Bill Dudley, Claude Caviness, Sally Nichols, Lee Figliuolo, Joe Giammanco, Bob Price, Garry Cohn, Fr. David Allert, Mike Zollar, John Leslie, Dave Sullivan, Brandon Patty, and Doug Lileks.

**VISITORS AND GUESTS:** Mayport Navy League Council - Chaplain Steve Souders, RADM George Huchting, Capt. Dennis Stokowski; Jacksonville Navy League Council Capt. Bob Buehn; Guest Speaker RADM Sinclair Harris, VP of Maritime Policy, of Navy League National.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Patrick McCormack led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**INVOCATION:** Fr David Allert led the invocation.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the June 8, 2020. Motion carried.

**TREASURERS REPORT:** Bob Price reported that there is \$11,490.24 in the Administration Account. \$36,828.14 in the Bobbett Account. Motion was made and seconded to approve the Treasurer's Report. Motion carried.

**MILITARY AFFAIRS:**

**USCG VALIANT** - Sally Watson reported VALIANT will have their Change of Command on July 15, 2020. She has been invited to attend with a small group.

**USCG ANT** - Claude Caviness reported that they have had a Change of Command. Due to COVID19 no one was invited and Claude has not been able to meet with the new Command.

**BLOUNT ISLAND COMMAND** - Doug called in by phone to say how appreciative Col. Livingston was of our members coming up to recognize the EPOY 2019. Doug will continue to look for opportunities to serve the unit. The Council has been invited to tour the facility when we feel it is safe to do so.

**USS SULLIVANS** - Change of Command is coming up and will be online. Garry Cohn is still waiting on word that we can present the past due SOQ and SOY.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** Lee Figliuolo reported that the Bosun's Locker has gone out.

**GOLF TOURNAMENT:** Due to COVID19, our annual golf tournament has been cancelled. Lee Figliuolo has sent out letters to all those that have donated and played in the last golf tournament asking for donations. The cash donations will go directly to Bob Price. Any other donations will be gathered up by Lee. On the date that the golf tournament was to be held, Lee will hold an online raffle and or silent auction for any golfers who have made donations and that will be it for this year. Lee announced that he will no longer do the annual golf tournament. Patrick McCormack thanked Lee for the outstanding job he has done. We will be looking for a replacement for next year.

**LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS:** Brandon Patty wanted to revisit an idea we discussed regarding a letter writing campaign supporting our Sea Cadet Unit. Patrick suggested that he, Brandon, and Joe Giammanco get together and discuss their ideas.

**MAYPORT COUNCIL:** Chaplain Steve Souders was visiting our meeting. Patrick McCormack asked him how they were meeting during COVID19. Chaplain Souders said that they previously met at a restaurant at Jax Beach which has closed. They were meeting on Zoom. Bill Dudley stated that the Elks Club has closed until further notice. He continues to look for a facility that will allow the Veterans Council to meet.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**2021 BOARD OF DIRECTORS:** We need to be thinking about a nominating committee and positions that will need to be filled.

**COUNTY MILITARY HISTORY:** Brandon Patty is working with Dr. Susan Parker. Dr. Parker has been talking with Bill Dudley planning for events and exhibits at Anastasia Baptist Church for Veterans Day. Brandon is hoping they can celebrate Veterans for the month of November. They are considering displays at the Court House, the County, and possibly the annexes. They would like to show the military history in the county. You can record your DD214 at the Court House for free. That way there is a record some place in case it is lost.

**GUEST SPEAKER:** RADM Sinclair Harris, VP of Maritime Policy, Navy League National

**YOUTH AFFAIRS:** Joe Giammanco reported that he is not sure how JROTC will go forward in the high schools during COVID19. All the awards and scholarships were distributed to the schools since they couldn't have the normal award presentations.

Sea Cadets haven't been able to meet in person. Some students have been able to do online work and others have gone to trainings. Joe needs to still get the funds for the Sea Cadet Scholarship that will be presented to Alex Janzen who will be attending Flagler College.

The Theodore Roosevelt that the National Navy League presents to a Sea Cadet (SOY) went to Bella Giammanco.

**ADJOURNMENT:** With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:00pm.

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Sally Watson, Secretary  
St. Augustine-Palm Coast Navy League Council