

MINUTES OF THE ST. AUGUSTINE - PALM COAST NAVY LEAGUE COUNCIL MEETING DATE: JULY 18, 2017

CALL TO ORDER: The monthly meeting of the St. Augustine-Palm Coast Navy League Council was held at the St. John's County Library Southeast Branch. The Meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM by President Bill Dudley.

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Bill Dudley, Ian Pollitt, Claude Caviness, Paul Kimmel, Lee Figliuolo, Bob Price, Roman Kopychuk, Tom Jackson, Dave Sullivan, Lee Spancake, Jerry Cameron, Steve & Christine Rodenbaugh, Mike Zollar, Joe Giammanco, Joe Mc Donald, Patrick Shoemaker, John Myers, Nick Marziani, George Costa, and Jaime Sawczyn.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Bill Dudley led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION: Fr. Nick Marziani gave the invocation.

NEW MEMBER INTRODUCTIONS: Joe Giammanco, John Myers, Christine and Steven Rodenbaugh were welcomed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion was made to approve the minutes and seconded to approve the minutes of the June 20, 2017 meeting. Motion carried. In Sally Watson's absence, Jaime Sawczyn is recording the meeting.

TREASURERS REPORT: Bob Price gave the Treasurer's report in Bob Price's absence. There is \$5,736.79 in the operating account and \$22,761.30 in the Bobbitt Account for our projects. Bob announced national Navy League issued a rebate of \$265 that was electronically deposited into our account. Bill explained how important it is that our roster is correct at national for that reason. John Myer stated that he sent his application and hasn't received anything and his check hasn't been cashed. Bill and Sally are trying to get it resolved. Bob reported that \$3,896 was spent this year on our Sea Services. Our Youth Program has spent \$3,634 for JROTC and Sea Cadets. A motion was made and seconded to approve the Treasurer's Report. Motion carried.

LIAISON REPORT: Ian Pollitt gave his report to the Council.

June 30 **USCGC HAMMER** had their Change of Command

July 5 **USS Sullivans** had their picnic with SOQ and SOY awards.

July 7 **USCGC SAWFISH** had their Change of Command

July 14 **BLOUNT ISLAND** had their Change of Command

July 15 **VALIANT** had their picnic and SOQ award.

Upcoming events:

USCGC MARIA BRAY has been in Louisiana for maintenance and is due back around July 24. Their SOY has already transferred. Jerry Cameron will meet with the CO when they get back and take the plaque to be sent on to the awardee. Jerry discussed having a "Welcome Home" event when they return. Joe Giammanco will be assisting him with the ship.

USS SULLIVANS will have their Change of Command late the week of July 24th. Time to be determined.

August 1 **HITRON** will have their SOQ and Perchard award at 2PM

August 19 **VR58** will have their SOQ

August 30 **USS FARRAGUT** will have their SOQ for quarters 1 and 2

Sept 1 **USS FARRAGUT** will have their Change of Command

Janet Teehan is stepping down as BLOUNT ISLAND COMMAND liaison being replaced by Stan Gilewicz.

Ian discussed that we need to find new ways to fund our projects. He has been considering Corporate Sponsorship. We have lost our hotel connection for our Bene Package.

YOUTH PROGRAMS: No report. Bill Hamm was absent. Recruitment for Sea Cadets was discussed. We should have 25 members to be a unit, but we have been operating with around 20.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Claude Caviness reported we have added new members and is pleased with recruiting.

COMMUNICATIONS: Lee Figliulo reported that he needs membership information as soon as we have it so that we can send out information to the new members. Bob and Lee need copies of applications. Lee is starting work on the golf tournament. The date will be Oct. 30.

LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS: Dave Sullivan will be in Washington the week of July 24 on county business, but plans to go by Navy League Headquarters and introduce himself.

NEW BUSINESS:

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Jerry Cameron has accepted the Chairmanship of the Nominating Committee. We need a President, Treasurer, Youth Affairs, and JAG officer. We need volunteers for the committee. Anyone interested should contact Jerry Cameron.

MERITORIOUS AWARD: The SA-PC Navy League Council has been recognized as a Meritorious Council. Bill gave this thanks and appreciation to all members. Bill stated 3 times we have been an Outstanding Council, and the third time we have been a Meritorious Council. It's an honor for a council of our size to receive these awards.

MEETING VENUE: We need to find a new location. We had to change our meeting night this year due to the Library schedule, and there was no consistency on a specific week. We need to find some place that we can have consistently and is convenient for our Palm Coast members.

ADJOURNMENT: With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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

