ST. AUGUSTINE-PALM COAST NAVY LEAGUE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

January 14, 2019

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting of the St. Augustine-Palm Coast Navy League Council met at Christ the King Anglican Church. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM by President Bill Dudley.

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Bill Dudley, Sally Watson, Lee Figliuolo, Patrick McCormack, Fr. David Allert, Joe Giammanco, Claude Caviness, Bob Price, Ken Moffa, Jim Golomb, Rick Myers, Jack Hinsch, Ellie & George Grech, Stan Gilewicz, George Costa, Lee Spancake, Larry & Sherryl Mull, Dave & Jane Singleton, John Leslie, Patrick Shoemaker, Jerry Cameron, Brandon Patty, Bill and Dee Hamm, and Garry Cohn.

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

INVOCATION: Fr. David Allert gave the invocation.

VISITOR INTRODUCTIONS: Garry Cohn introduced Jose Marrerro as a prospective new member. Larry Mull introduced Doug Lileks.

NEW MEMBER INTRODUCTIONS: Lee Figliuolo introduced new member Rick Myers, and presented him with a certificate. His wife Kathy is also a new member, but wasn't in attendance. Pat Golomb, wife of Jim recently joined but wasn't present. Lee also introduced a former member, Jack Hinsch who has rejoined. Brandon Patty, joined a few months ago, but this was his first meeting to attend. He received his certificate and name tag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the November 5, 2018 meeting. Motion carried.

TREASURERS REPORT: Bob Price gave the Treasurer's Report. He passed around a summary of our 2018 finances and gave an explanation of the Administrative Account, and Bobbitt account for our Sea Service and Youth Service account. We took in about \$19,000 and spent about \$18,000. \$3,500 for Sea Services and \$14,000 for our Youth Services. The Bobbitt account has \$34,819.57. We have \$2,500 in our Administrative Account. Bill Dudley explained the difference in our National dues that are due on the anniversary date of joining and local dues of \$25 due each January. Renewing on line is preferential to mailing a check.

MILITARY AFFAIRS: Ian Pollitt was absent. The liaisons gave their individual reports.

USS SULLIVANS - Garry Cohn said the ship returned home just before Christmas. There was too short of a notice to have members in attendance. Garry was there and encouraged members to take an opportunity to see a ship off or return. It is a wonderful way to show our support and the crew looks forward to seeing us.

USCGC VALIANT - Sally Watson reported they will be returning home in a couple of weeks. She would like to invite members to join her in welcoming them home. A notice will go out as soon as she has the date.

USCGC SAWFISH - Dave Singleton said their dinner with the SAWFISH was cancelled due to the Government shutdown.

USCGC RIDLEY - Dave is waiting to get a date to meet in February.

USCGC HAMMER - Dave is working on making contact with them.

ANT - Claude Caviness hosted a lunch with Chief Petty Officer Kay Jones, OIC of AIDS to Navigation. In attendance were members Mayor Nancy Shaver, Sally Watson and Patrick McCormack in December.

USCGC - MARIA BRAY - no report

USMC, BLOUNT ISLAND COMMAND - Stan Gilewicz is setting up a lunch with the First Sgt.

YOUTH AFFAIRS - Joe Giammanco said Sea Cadets are numbering about 50 members. There will be a Field Training Event in February for about 150 cadets from different units. Over the holidays, some of the Sea Cadets took the opportunity to go to different training programs.

GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN - The USO has been helping the Coast Guard families during the shutdown. Anyone that wants to help, direct your checks to the local USO not the national USO. American Legion is setting up a program to give grants of up to \$1,600 to give to families that qualify.

MEMBERSHIP - Currently we have 134 members. Current members are the best recruiting source.

COMMUNICATIONS - Lee Figliuolo reminded the members that there is a calendar on our website. As the liaisons or lan make Lee aware of events within the unit, Lee posts them on the calendar.

MILITARY BALL - St. Augustine-Palm Coast Council has purchased a table at the ball. There are two open seats available if anyone would like to attend. Contact Bill Dudley.

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INDUCTION OF NEW OFFICERS: Bill Dudley had the following members take the oath of office:

President - Patrick McCormack
Past President - Bill Dudley
Chaplin - Fr. David Allert
Secretary - Sally Watson
Treasurer - Jerry Cameron
Judge Advocate General - Patrick McCormack
Archivist - Garry Cohn
Legislative Affairs - Brandon Patty
VP of Youth Affairs - Joe Giammanco
Membership - Claude Caviness
VP Communications - Lee Figliuolo

The following were not present and will be sworn in at a later date:

VP of Military Affairs - Ian Pollitt Finance and Oversight - Garry Karsner

Former President Bill Dudley honored:

Patrick McCormack presented President Emeritus Bill Dudley "A Distinguished Service Award." Bill has served for the past four years as President as well as other positions over the years. Under his leadership, our council thrived in membership and units supported. Bill thanked the members for their service and the honor he received.

Patrick McCormack addressed the council with his thanks for the work that has been done in the past to give him a thriving council and asked for continuing support as he begins his term of office.

ADJOURNMENT: With no new business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:25 PM.

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