

**MINUTES OF THE ST. AUGUSTINE-PALM COAST  
NAVY LEAGUE COUNCIL  
MEETING DATE: NOVEMBER 13, 2017**

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

**MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:** Lee Figliuolo, George Costa, Nick Marziani, Claude Caviness, Garry Karsner, Bill Dudley, Joe Giammanco, Mike Zollar, Sally Watson, Bill Hamm, Dee Hamm, Pat Shoemaker, Lee Spancake, Patrick McCormack, Garry Cohn, Stan Gilewicz, Bob Price, Ian Pollitt and Jerry Cameron.

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

**INVOCATION:** Nick Marziani gave the invocation.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from the October 16, 2017 meeting. Motion carried.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Bob Price reported our operating account has \$19,705.60. The money from the golf tournament still needs to be transferred to the Bobbitt account. The Bobbitt Fund has \$19,923.30. Both accounts total \$39,628.90. We have a nice reserve due to the success of our golf tournament the last couple of years. Our expenses each year are approximately \$11,000 to \$12,000. We spent about \$5,000 for youth support, and \$6,000 for sea services. Motion was made and seconded to approve the Treasurer's Report. Motion carried.

**ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT:** Garry Karsner said the 2016 report is usually done in the spring, but due to conflicts with schedules, it was finished this fall. We have two accounts. The administrative fund that receives almost all the money. The Bobbitt fund that disperses most of the money. We are a cash only operation, and that is the only thing on our Balance Sheet. Our year end is December 31. We are not for profit. The reports Garry does are a compilation. There are no audit steps and no assurances given about the reports. Basically he takes the financial information that Bob Price gives him and puts it into a Financial Statement format. Garry and Bob have been doing that for the last five years. Reports are done to the dollar, but information he is providing tonight has been rounded to the thousand just to keep it simple. Format he presents tonight is for year ending December 31, 2016. The Administrative fund took in about 30,000. There were \$16,000 in expenses and we transferred \$16,000 to the Bobbitt Fund. \$16,000 was the amount of the net from the golf tournament.

December 31, 2016 we had \$4000 in the administrative fund. In December 2015 we had \$6000. Bobbitt Fund in 2016 we had \$18,000. \$16,000 was from the golf tournament. In 2016 we spend about \$8,000 on sea services and \$4,000 on youth support for a total of \$12,000. We were \$6,000 up in the Bobbitt Fund. So for the two accounts we were up \$4,000. For the end of 2016 we had \$33,000 in cash. In 2015 we ended the year with \$29,000 in cash. The numbers have been very consistent year to year.

Bill said our success in the last two years was due to what Lee has done on the golf tournament. That is our only means of fund raising. He also commended the Council on the way the Liaisons and Youth Affairs have judiciously handled the money. We end each year with a good reserve. When we send in our annual reports, we post really good numbers. We haven't received much in the way of rebates from Navy League National.

**NOMINATION REPORTS** - Jerry Cameron reported that the Nominating Committee has presented a Slate of Officers. He asked for nominations from the floor. With no nominations from the floor, a motion was made to accept the slate presented. The motion was seconded and carried.

The Slate of Officers is as follows:

President - Bill Dudley, President-Elect - Jerry Cameron, Chaplin - Dr. Nick Marziani, Secretary - Sally Watson, Treasurer - Jaime Sawczyn, Judge Advocate - Patrick McCormack, Archivist - Garry Cohn, Legislative Affairs - Dave Sullivan, Military Affairs - Ian Pollitt, Youth Programs - Joe and Shannon Giammanco, Membership - Claude Caviness, Finance and Oversight - Garry Karsner/Bob Price, Communications - Lee Figliuolo, Public Affairs - Christine Rodenbaugh

**GOLF TOURNAMENT** - Lee reported that we netted about \$2,000 less this year. We had more military which cost us \$600. Donations were way down and hole sponsors were down. Mulligans and silent auction were better than last year. We netted \$14,000 this year. Lee wants two strong committees for next year for donations and hole sponsors. Bill suggested that we start earlier in 2018. The date for next year will be Oct 22 or Oct 29. Lee is waiting to hear from Grand Haven.

**CHRISTMAS PARTY** - After polling the Board Members, we decided to go with a buffet that will be less expensive. Marsh Creek has raised their prices. We can save \$3 per person if we provide our own dessert. We decided to have a cake from Publix. The menu will be Chicken Marsala and Almond Crusted Salmon.

**MILITARY AFFAIRS REPORT** - Ian Pollitt gave the following report:

USCGC VALIANT - Returned the end of October. They did humanitarian relief for Hurricane Irma and Maria.

HITRON - November 1st they had SOQ presentation. They also sent down a helicopter for display on Veteran's Day.

BLUE ANGELS - Members were able to take advantage of the VIP seating.

KINGS BAY - Claude reported that several members were able to take advantage of a last minute tour.

USCGC RIDLEY - November 11, Dave and Jane Singleton were invited onboard for a tour and lunch.

USCGC MARIA BRAY - They decided not to identify a SOY and Jerry Cameron returned the \$100 to the council.

VR 58 and Farragut - waiting for dates for their SOY presentations

Liaisons were asked if you hear of a Christmas party that your unit is having, find out if they have room for Navy League members to attend and we will get the word out if anyone wants to attend. We need to pay our own way if we attend.

SURFRON 14 - is still looking for a Military Liaison

Still working on Bene package to find a hotel that will give us hotel rooms for SOY visits. We are seeking corporate donations to help defray the cost of the weekend. We may have to start paying for the rooms. Currently hotels only want to comp rooms during the week which is not to our benefit.

**VETERANS DAY:** Bill Dudley would like to see Navy League participate in the Veteran's Day Parade next year.

**YOUTH SERVICES:** Joe Giammanco reported the Sea Cadets marched in the Veterans Day Parade and there are five new Sea Cadets. They had an overnight camping trip two weeks ago. Joe is trying to get information on when there will be a change of command so that he can meet with them.

**TRI-BASE BALL:** Claude reported on the Navy Ball. Jerry Cameron, his wife, Claude, Pat Ray, Sally Nichols, Patrick McCormack, and Dave Sullivan were in attendance. There were two members of VR58 and two from Aids to Navigation. Bill Dudley thinks this may be the last Tri-Base Ball. No one is willing to take on the job as a committee member, organizing the event and raising the money.

**MEMBERSHIP** - Claude reported he has three new members signing up.

**COMMUNICATIONS** - Lee needs articles for the Bosun's Locker by the end of December.

**NEW BUSINESS** - None

**ADJOURNMENT:** With no further business, a motion was made to adjourn. It was seconded and the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 6:30.

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