

MELVIN M. SMITH DET #586 MINUTES FOR AUGUST 2016

The meeting was brought to order by Commandant Brown at 1900 Opening Ceremony was held.

Roll Call of Officers: Jim Stailey, Paymaster absent. Pete Denman Judge advocate absent

Recognition of Past Commandants: Dennis Dressler (Past Dept. Commandant and National Committee Member), Doug Shurtleff. Randy Ott, Dick Jamison.

Introduction of Guests: None

Applications for Membership: None.

Minutes of Previous Meeting: Previous meeting was the August BBQ. No minutes. July Minutes posted online. Dennis Dressler Made Motion, 2nd by Mike O'Flaherty, Motion Passed.

Correspondence: T for T was Second in total raised! Tim Kruze Reports that Convention was Good and we can do better next year.

Report of Paymaster: No report as Paymaster is absent.

Report of the Chaplin: Chaplin Town gave a report on members' health, then read list of the recently deceased.

Report of Officers: Commandant, at both Department and National Convention, BBQ in August. Sr Vice Commandant, Had a talk with Battery about Birthday Ball, and Toys for Tots. Received a message from Sr Chief, Jr Vice No report.

Standing Committee Reports:

VAVS- Successful Bingo Last Night. Saturday the 10th is Native American Day Ceremony.
Americanism. None.

Membership: None.

Calling Tree: Plt. Sgt Shake your trees again and report to Randy Ott.

Awards: None.

Young Marines: Recruit Class begins this Saturday. Jeremy Jones Promoted Assistant Div Cmdr.

Newsletter: Cut off is 9/15

Coffee Stops: Done for the year, Made 1458 June wb July and aug eb

Memorial Day: Nothing.

Audit Committee: None.

Rifle Audit Committe: Not complete but being worked on.

BSA Awards: None.

Toys For Tots: Still working on Books for Tots. Ssgt Curry is Coordinator for this year and is asking for help finding a warehouse.

Homeless Vets: .None.

Veterans Day: Randy Ott 0930 at LC High School on the 10th. Arena ceremony is at 1030

By-law Review: None.

Birthday Ball: November 5 at Double Tree down town 35-45

Planning Committee:

Moy Society: MOY submissions will start in November and go through until February.

Veterans Court: Mentors always needed. Training on 1st Thursday of the month. Third Thursday is the forum.

Gun Shows: Next Show is September 24-25th. Made 325 at the Lincoln County Show.

Training: None.

Dept. of WA MCL Convention: Waiting for information from the Tri-Cities on room meals etc. so that we may negotiate with the Hotels.

National Convention: None.

Hoopfest: Nothing.

Breakfast Committee: Bill Bean reports that August made Profit, approximate 40 attendees, next one Saturday the 10th at 0800.

Honor Guard: Have 2 Funerals for Friday and have been very busy this month. Appreciation Luncheon on 15 September at 1115, Medical lake city Waterfront Park.

Lilac Parade: None.

Old Business: Carry issue of card reader until next month, Motion by Dennis Dressler, second by Randy Ott, Motion Passes.

New Business: Bill Bean brings up that we need to post on the VFW door a sign that states that the MCL Meets here. Bill also brings up the need for two plaques.

Jeremy asks for \$350 from the YM fund for two hardship cases.

Jim Stailey asks for someone to take over as Paymaster, contact Commandant.

Pete Denman has had to step down for personal as Judge Advocate. Dennis Dressler Volunteered to take over the remainder of Marine Denmans tenure, Randy Ott will assist.

Motion by Pat Rowan to recoup the amount not paid by those who RSVP'd but did not show for BBQ, 2nd by Mike O'Flarety. This is \$50. Vote was by hand 16 for, 14 against, motion passes.

Randy Ott brings up that we need to get moving on Building for Spaghetti Feed. Mike Taylor Brought up the event center behind Darci's, Randy Ott is checking on the National Guard armory by SCC.

Good of the League: Reminder to ALL the MCL is not political, do not use the League as a platform. Dept Convention items, The National HQ is moving to Quantico, at the end of October. Semper Fi Magazine fired publisher. Will now be 6 not 4 issues. National Judge Advocate is looking to reduce and streamline Bylaws. Moving Bday for annual renewal to August 31 will be prorated until June 30 2017. 2017 National Convention is already filling Hotel room so get request in early. See National website for all details.

Dept Convention details need to be ironed out.

Covers need to be proper and follow by laws.

Announcements:

- Bingo @ VA Hospital at 1900 2nd Wed (13 September August).
- Growl will be second Saturday the 24th at 1600 at Quality Inn on Argonne
- Breakfast this Saturday at VFW
- Papa Battery Family Day Sunday September 25th 1000-1400

Closing Ceremony: Appropriate.

Next Meeting: October 13, 2016 at 1900.

Present at Meeting: Members (32)

Respectfully Submitted,