



Air, Land, NC Detachment 1257, Marine Corps League
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**Minutes of the Air, Land, NC Detachment 1257
Monthly Meeting: 14Mar2017**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

At 1900 hours the Meeting was called to order by Commandant Phipps and the opening ceremony was held.

A. ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS BY ADJUTANT

All present or accounted for:

Commandant John Phipps – present
Sr. Vice Commandant Ray O’Neill – excused
Jr. Vice Commandant Bill Brown – present
Judge Advocate Jorge Armhold – present
Paymaster Ed Whalen – excused
Adjutant Jack Kemeny – present
Chaplain Tammy Holt – present
Sgt. at Arms Ken Jenkins – present
Service Officer Ron Prokopowicz – excused
Junior Past Commandant Pete Lambert – present

B. ATTENDANCE

Approximately 19 members and 2 guests present; Gary Pulenkowski, a prospective member and John Staley, Dept. of NC Chief of Staff.

C. NEW MEMBERS

One present, Tim Wetzel will be inducted at the next meeting.

D. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The website has been redesigned by the Web Sergeant and the February minutes were published.

E. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

None.

F. PAYMASTER’S REPORT

Paymaster provided a financial report after the meeting and reported that the Detachment’s finance’s are in excellent condition. The details will no longer be posted to the minutes, since these minutes are now public information on

the website. If any members desire to see the details, please let the Adjutant know and the financials can be emailed.

G. SICK & DISTRESSED

Chaplain Holt discussed medical and other issues for Detachment members and noted that Ed Whalen had a medical emergency and is recovering. Bob Peters is awaiting a surgical procedure. Joe Clap had a surgical procedure and is recovering. Ray Gerald is recovering from a recurring infection. Nick Zanon's wife is awaiting a hip replacement.

Your thoughts and prayers for those in distress are appreciated.

H. REPORT OF OFFICERS

1. The gun show on 18/19Mar2017 was discussed and one or two volunteers are still needed.
2. Ed Whalen has arranged a reservation at Pavilion 6 at Sanderling Beach for the Detachment picnic on 6Jun2017.
3. JPC Lambert noted that the next WF flag raising is on 3Apr2017 and our member, Jim Steffens will be honored. Another Marine, Willis Winston will be honored at the September flag raising.
4. Pete Lambert also described a new license plate has been issued by the state for partially disabled vets (10-90%) and is free of charge.
5. The next VA bingo night is 5Apr2017 and all are invited to participate. Also Pete will take any donated magazines to the VA.
6. The USO at RDU needs money donations, incidentals and snack items to care for the many Marines and other service members passing through the airport. Members are asked to bring in snack items to our meetings and Terry will deliver to the RDU USO.

I. OLD BUSINESS

1. Terry Shackleton, Bill Brown and Joe Grieco will perform the annual audit as soon as Ed Whalen returns from his current medical procedure.
2. Pete Lambert provided the current status of flying flags in town on national holidays – no decision yet on where, when and who will participate.
3. Commandant Phipps is still pursuing the concept of an indoor biathlon for fund raising.

J. NEW BUSINESS

1. Brandon Holliday presented the new rifle for the 2018 raffle. It is a Ruger Precision rifle in 6.5 creedmoor, including a Vortex Viper 6-24x50mm optic and waterproof case. It was purchased early because of the popularity of the weapon for long range target shooting and relative unavailability.
2. John Staley noted that his Detachment, the Tarheel Detachment, raises the majority of its funds with a breakfast at Golden Corral twice a year. They also run a gun raffle.
3. John gave us a rundown on the last midwinter quarterly convention, including changes in reporting requirements and changes in the bylaws. 37 of 57 Detachments attended. We did not. He encouraged us to send members to the State Convention in June 2017.

4. Danny Richards noted that he had distributed the thank you certificates to all the T4T participants for themselves and the participating businesses.

K. GOOD OF THE LEAGUE

1. Joe Goodrow won the 50/50 raffle and Jim Lange won the attendance raffle which stood at \$50.00. He was not present so the money rolls to next month.

Commandant Phipps closed the meeting at approximately 2005 hours.

NEXT DETACHMENT MEETING: 11Apr2017 at 1800 at the Legion Hall.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jack Kemeny
Adjutant

