



## Major B.F. Hickey Detachment 57

Date: 14APR22

Meeting called to order: 1900 HOURS

### ***OPENING CEREMONY:***

- Opening ceremony was conducted in accordance with the MCL Ritual.

### ***OFFICERS PRESENT:***

Commandant	■	Sr Vice Commandant	■	Jr Vice Commandant	■
Judge Advocate	■	Adjutant/Paymaster	■	Chaplain	■
Corpsman	■	Jr. Past Commandant	■		

### ***APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED FOR NEW MEMBERSHIP:***

John Seward is a MCL member and will apply for transfer to Detachment 57

### ***ADJUTANT'S REPORT:***

- **Minutes of Previous Meeting**
  - Posted Online at [www.stpetemcl.org](http://www.stpetemcl.org)
    - Motion to waive reading of and accept the Minutes for the 10MAR22 meeting as posted online made by Marine Ken Friend
    - Motion Seconded by Marine Bob Cannon
    - Discussion - None
      - Motion Passed

**PAYMASTER'S REPORT:**



Marine Corps League  
Major B. F. Hickey - Detachment 57  
**PAYMASTERS REPORT**

Date: 4-APRIL-2022

Wells Fargo Detachment 57 Account Activity:

End of the Day	1-Mar-22	Balance	\$18,448.35
		Total Deposits:	\$864.00
		Expenditures:	(\$566.27)
End of the Day	31-Mar-22	Balance	\$18,746.08

Regions Bingo Account Activity:

Belcher Disbursement for March	\$947.00
Regions Bank Fees	(\$25.34)
Remaining After Fees	\$921.66
Amount to be Transferred to Wells Fargo	\$900.00

**CHAPLAINS REPORT:**

- Report of the Sick or Distressed:
  - Marine Don Bostrom had a fall accident and was taken to VA hospital. It is anticipated he will be taking therapy.

**REPORT OF OFFICERS AND STAFF:**

Commandant:

- Briefed the Det. on Spring Conference experience.
  - No info posted on DOF website yet about Spring Convention in June.

- Honor Guard Volunteers – So far, we have Bob Decker and Tim Bulu are active with the combined Honor Guard. Eli Rodriguez and Will Bicknell volunteered for combined Honor Guard and we will have them active before the next meeting. If we start our own Honor Guard, so far Sylvester (Sly) Davis, Jr.; Rick McCool, Brandon Robinson, and George Cooper have volunteered to be a part of a Det. 57 Honor Guard. If this comes about, J. D. Pate would be volunteered for the Armorer’s position. In order to make this happen, we need a minimum of 2 more volunteers – preferably 4.
- Commandant asked, “Who does not have a MCL decal on their vehicle? It’s another recruiting tool and another way to get our name out in the community.

Sr. Vice Commandant:

- Tim presented the member information manual used during the Professional Development Program given by the MCL Dept. of Florida at the Spring Conference earlier this month. He cited the section titled “The Purposes of the Marine Corps League and suggested that these could be employed when recruiting prospective members.
- The next Birthday Shindig is tentatively scheduled for late June.

Jr. Vice Commandant:

- Sarge announced the Memorial Day Commemoration at Bay Pines could be a good opportunity to connect with other Marines in the area.

Jr. Past Commandant:

- None

Judge Advocate:

- None

Sergeant-at-Arms:

- None

## **REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES:**

### **Rose Sale Committee (Bob Decker):**

- We have 4 confirmed rose sales, so mark your calendars and commit to setting aside some hours on those days.
- April 23rd & 24th Winn-Dixie, 8740 Park Blvd. N (at Starkey & Park Blvd.), Seminole, FL 33777
- April 30th & May 1st PUBLIX, 3900 66th St. N (at 38th Ave. N.), St. Petersburg, FL 33709
- May 14th & 15th Walmart Supercenter, 10237 Bay Pines Blvd, St. Petersburg, FL 33708
- May 28th & 29th Winn-Dixie, 10202 Seminole Blvd. (at 102nd Ave.), Largo, FL 33778
- Then we are done until Sept & Oct.

### **Car Show Committee (Bob Decker):**

- Directed Paymaster to Mail \$150 deposit of total \$300 for trophy expenses to Premium Productions.
- At next meeting we will form the 2022 Car Show Committee.

### **Venture Crew/Boy Scout Committee (Tim Bulu):**

- We will be presenting The MCL Good Citizenship award at an Eagle Scout COF on My 15.
- The Venture Crew is active in community service and camping activities.

### **Quarterly Financial Review Committee (Brandon Robinson)**

- Volunteer committee members are Ely Rodriguez, Rudy Fontane and J.D. Pate in absentia.

### **Recruiting Poster Committee (Eli Rodriquez)**

- Its still in development. You can't hurry greatness.

## **MCL Sign Committee (Brandon Robinson)**

- The bids from sign providers are not in yet and were delayed due to assorted reasons but will have it ready for a Detachment vote at the next meeting.

## **MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS:**

### **VAVS (Veterans Affairs Voluntary Service) (J. D. Pate):**

- Bob Cannon reminded of the monthly Service for the Unattended at Bay pines.

### **Veterans Advisory Board for Congressmen Bilirakis & Crist (J. D. Pate)**

- None

### **Pistol Shoot, Cup Sales, and Flag Education Program (John Gluck):**

- Saturday April 16, 10:00 at The Wyoming Antelope Club.

### **District 7 Vice Commandant's Report/Comments (Rudy Fontane)**

- The Spring conference was well attended although PDP attendance was down.
- Reminded about the MCL National Conference in Daytona Beach August 9-16.
- Urged members to attend because we would like a good showing from the host state.
- DoF is seeking volunteers to work at the convention in various roles.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- None

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

- Rudy Fontane made a motion to nominate Bob Decker for DoF Commandant of the Year. The motion was seconded by Jim Rexroad. There was no discussion. A vote was taken, and the motion passed.
- Bob Cannon made a motion to donate \$500 to his nephew to offset the cost of his training as an automotive technician at PTEC. The Motion was seconded by Brandon Robinson. A review of the budget showed this could fall under the Education assistance category. A vote was taken, and the motion was passed.

### ***GOOD OF THE LEAGUE:***

- Will Bicknell reported that work has begun on the Memorial Garden at WWAR.
- The campaign to sell bricks in the garden has begun. Bricks are \$50 each and can be purchased WWAR web site.

### ***ANNOUNCEMENTS:***

- **STAFF MEETING** – Thursday, 1900 hours, **05MAY22** to be held at the VFW Post 4364
- **NEXT MEETING** – Thursday, 1900 hours, **12MAY22** to be held at the VFW Post 4364.

### ***CLOSING CEREMONY:***

Closing ceremony was conducted in accordance with the MCL Ritual.

***CLOSING TIME:*** 20:00Hours

### ***ATTENDANCE:***

21 Members in good standing in attendance plus no Marines or FMF Corpsmen or Chaplains guests and 1 Non-Marine guest.