



**MINUTES FROM DECEMBER 7, 2022 MCL METRO SOUTH DETACHMENT 1115**

**WHERE:** VFW Norton Ma

Proceedings were held at the VFW Norton at 38 Summer St Norton Ma..

Senior-Vice-Commandant Rik Coffman called meeting to order at 18:10 hrs calling upon Sergeant-at-Arms to secure the building for the start of the meeting.

Sergeant-at-Arms secured the quarters and announced he was satisfied all that were present were authorized to be there.

Pledge of Allegiance was then recited by the Detachment Marines.

There were 8 detachment Marines present

Chaplain Roger Hoffmann recited the opening prayer.

Commandant JJ Mcgrath called Sergeant-at-Arms to declare the meeting open for conduct of official business.

Commandant JJ Mcgrath called roll call of the detachment's officers:

| Position                   | Name                      | Present  | Excused |
|----------------------------|---------------------------|----------|---------|
| <b>Commandant</b>          | <b>JJ Mcgrath</b>         | <b>X</b> |         |
| <b>Sr Vice Commandant</b>  | <b>Rik Coffman</b>        | <b>X</b> |         |
| <b>Jr Vice commandant</b>  | <b>Patrick Ballinger</b>  |          |         |
| <b>Judge Advocate</b>      | <b>Fred Williams</b>      | <b>X</b> |         |
| <b>Adjutant</b>            | <b>Acting Rik Coffman</b> | <b>X</b> |         |
| <b>Paymaster</b>           | <b>Ron Hill</b>           |          |         |
| <b>Chaplain</b>            | <b>Roger Hoffman</b>      | <b>X</b> |         |
| <b>Sergeant at Arms</b>    | <b>Pat Ballinger</b>      |          |         |
| <b>Quartermaster</b>       | <b>Fred Williams</b>      | <b>X</b> |         |
| <b>Webmaster</b>           | <b>Acting Rik Coffman</b> | <b>X</b> |         |
| <b>Honor Guard Captain</b> | <b>JJ McGrath</b>         | <b>X</b> |         |
| <b>Past Commandant</b>     | <b>Rik Coffman</b>        | <b>X</b> |         |

## New Members

- No new members applications, Fred had invited one but no show.

## Correspondence 7

- None.

## Sickness 9

JJ's mother in a hospice  
Fred's neighbor's wife passed away.

## Reports 6, 8, 10

- Minutes for previous 7 months due to cancellation and adjutant's absence.
- Paymaster report available, balance \$3,960.17. motion made to accept subject to audit, Seconded and so moved unanimously.
- Chaplain mentioned rituals and honors.
- Waitt funeral homemade \$500 donation
- Gary Cameron made \$100 donation for wife's tribute.

## **OLD BUSINESS: Standing committees 11/12:**

### HONOR GUARD

- NA

### QUARTERMASTER

- Report made by Fred

### Birthday Ball

- Some discussion on where to be held. Norton VFW available. Tabled till closer time.

### Scholarship

- John Foster read thank you note from Scholarship recipient Brandon Cross.

### Fund Raiser

- Na

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS 13:**

Micaila has transferred.

## **NEW BUSINESS 14:**

Ammunition discussed  
Abington Gunn new Abington VA agent  
Car show – waiting on Pat

### **GOOD OF THE LEAGUE 16**

- Change to monthly meetings discussed, tabled for future discussion.
- January February possibly dropped, quarterly meetings etc
- January 3, 2023 meeting to be non meeting but discussion on recruiting and other events and adjustments

Next Meeting is Wednesday Mar 1, 2023.

- The start time for the meeting will be at 1800 at Norton VFW.

Commandant JJ Mcgrath called for moment of silence for deceased members.

Commandant JJ Mcgrath called Sergeant-at-arms to retire the colors.

Acting Sergeant-at-Arms called for hand salute.

Commandant JJ Mcgrath read closing prayer.

Commandant JJ Mcgrath called Sergeant-at-Arms to officially close the meeting

Acting Sergeant-at-Arms declared the meeting officially over.

Commandant JJ Mcgrath ended meeting at 1903 hrs with 1 rap of the gavel.

Respectfully submitted  
Rik Coffman  
Acting Adjutant