



**MINUTES FROM May 3, 2023 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.

**Opening ceremony 1**

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 5 detachment Marines present as well as Butch Raynes.

Chaplain Roger Hoffmann recited the opening prayer.

Senior-Vice-Commandant Rik Coffman called Sergeant-at-Arms to declare the meeting open for conduct of official business.

**Roll Call of officers 2**

Senior-Vice-Commandant Rik Coffman called roll call of the detachment’s officers:

Position	Name	Present	Excused
<b>Commandant</b>	<b>JJ Mcgrath</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>X</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>Past Commandant</b>	<b>Rik Coffman</b>	<b>X</b>	

**New Members 3**

- No new members applications

**Voting new members in 4**

- None.

**Install new members 5**

- None.

**Minutes of previous meeting 6**

- Minutes for March 1, 2023 present on website.

- Motion made to accept, seconded and accepted.

## Correspondence 7

Jim Gill in stage 4

## Paymaster report 8

- Paymaster report made, motion made to accept subject to audit, seconded and so moved unanimously.

## Sickness 9

Fred's neighbor and member Jim Gillian in Dana Farber

## Reports of officers 10

- Roger related that the roster and TACOM report needed for National signoff
- Fred to work with JJ for serial numbers of rifles
- Roger to ask for \$1000 at state convention for Huntington House
- EGA's out of stock
- Chaplain read ceremonies attended

## Reports of standing committees 11

- Scholaship to be given to Norton students?
- Pat's daughter to be contacted by Roger?
- Tabled till fall

## Reports of special committees 12

- None.

## Unfinished business 13

Memorial Day parade Norton at 9:30

Breakfast at 8:30

## New business 14

- Webpage and Facebook disgusted
- Postponed for further discussion
- Rik to contact Mass department regarding detachment info

## Installation of officers 15

TBD

## Good of the League 16

- none

## Announcements 17

Next Meeting is Wednesday June 7, 2023.

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

## Closing ceremony 18

Senior-Vice-Commandant Rik Coffman called for moment of silence for deceased members.

Senior-Vice-Commandant Rik Coffman called Sergeant-at-arms to retire the colors.

Acting Sergeant-at-Arms called for hand salute.

Senior-Vice-Commandant Rik Coffman read closing prayer.

Senior-Vice-Commandant Rik Coffman called Sergeant-at-Arms to officially close the meeting

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

Senior-Vice-Commandant Rik Coffman ended meeting at 1844 hrs with 1 rap of the gavel.

Respectfully submitted

Rik Coffman

Adjutant