



Major B.F. Hickey Detachment 57

Date: **08DEC26**

Meeting called to order: 1900 HOURS.

**OPENING CEREMONY:**

The opening ceremony was conducted in accordance with the MCL Ritual.

**OFFICERS PRESENT:**

Commandant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sr Vice Commandant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jr Vice Commandant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Judge Advocate	<input type="checkbox"/>	Adjutant/Paymaster	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Chaplin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Sgt at Arms	<input type="checkbox"/>	Jr. Past Commandant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		

**INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS OR GUEST SPEAKER:**

- GySgt Martin Ortega – Clearwater High School, Marine Instructor
- Liz Tejera – Air Force
- Holly Hammel - Army

**APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED FOR NEW MEMBERSHIP:**

- Liz Tejera

**BALLOTING ON APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP:**

- Liz Tejera

**AWARDS:**

- Detachment awards to be presented for those who were not in attendance at the detachment’s celebration of the Marine Corps 250<sup>th</sup> Birthday

**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 **11DEC25** meeting as posted online made by Marine Rudy Fontane & Jim Rexroad  
Discussion – None

The Motion: **Passed**

**Correspondence Received**

- No Report

**PAYMASTER'S REPORT:**

**"Marine Corps League  
Major B. F. Hickey - Detachment 57  
PAYMASTERS REPORT"  
Date: 9-Jan-26**

**Wells Fargo Detachment 57 Account Activity:**

<b>End of the Day</b>	<b>30-Nov-25</b>	<b>Balance</b>	<b>\$36,381.96</b>
	<b>Total Deposits:</b>	<b>\$5,032.50</b>	
	<b>Expenditures:</b>	<b>\$3,657.32</b>	
<b>End of the Day</b>	<b>Balance</b>	<b>\$37,757.14</b>	

**Regions Bingo Account Activity:**

<b>Belcher Disbursement for</b>	<b>\$818.00</b>	
<b>Regions Bank Fees</b>	<b>\$27.56</b>	
<b>Remaining After Fees</b>	<b>\$790.44</b>	
<b>Amount to be Transferred to Wells Fargo</b>		<b>\$765.00</b>

**Venture Crew**                      **\$382.00**

**CHAPLAINS REPORT:**

- Marine Ken Friend – Blood condition
- Marine Sarge McCool had some seizures. After tests nothing was found and doctors are baffled. He can't drive currently
- Mike Garafallo – Pain in his knees and other complications. He feels he's letting the detachment down. A call of encouragement would go a long way.
- Marine J. D. Pate dealing with medical issues
- Marine Bob Cannon had shoulder surgery, no updates at the moment

**REPORT OF OFFICERS AND STAFF:**

**Commandant:**

- DOF Spring Conference – April 16<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> @ Hilton Altamonte Springs.
- Marine Corps Museum added Iraq, Afghanistan, and Desert Storm wing

**Sr. Vice Commandant:**

- No Report

**Jr. Vice Commandant:**

- No Report

**Jr. Past Commandant:**

- 4 detachment members attended January Unattended Service, also attended by Army JROTC units from local high schools

**Judge Advocate:**

- No Report

**Sergeant-at-Arms:**

- No Report

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES:**

**Rose Sale Committee (*Vacant*):**

- Publix - Bay Pointe Plaza: Jan 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> (5295 34<sup>th</sup> St. S, St Petersburg, FL 33711)

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

- No Report

**Trapshoot Committee (Cary Burns)**

- Targeting 60 shooter event
- Organization will be broken down into tasks and members will be asked to take on tasks
- Trying to organize team shooting competitions

**Detachment Quarterly Social / MC Birthday Committee (Dylan Sherman):**

- Q1: Jan-Mar / Q2: Apr-Jun / Q3: Jul-Sep / Q4: Oct-Dec

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

- Venture Crew recharter
- 1<sup>st</sup> quarter donation has been sent

## MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS:

- Bay Pines Unattended Service – 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of every month
- Pistol Shoot at the Wyoming Antelope Club (3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of every month)
  - 1000 - 1100 hours 17JAN25

### Detachment Shooting Team:

- We should continue shooting all the way through Feb (4 times a month)
- Competition starts in March

### Veterans / Members in Need:

- Briefing on recent request for assistance

## OLD BUSINESS:

None

## NEW BUSINESS:

- Detachment By Laws – Discussion, motion made by Marine Rudy Fontane to accept, seconded by Marine Bob Decker. Passed
- Marine Bernie Adams installed as new Judge Advocate
- Marine Brandon Robertson will fill in as Sargent at Arms while Mike Garafallo is out.
- Budget Committee
  - FY 27 budget (Jul – Jun)

## GOOD OF THE LEAGUE:

- Nickle City collected and donated toys. In future we need better coordination with them for pickup.
- VFW Post 4364 steak night on 17 Jan 26 at 17:00
- Marine Jim Rexroad's daughter graduated from college and wishes to thank the detachment for financial help
- Detachment members who are also VFW members were asked to show up for the VFW monthly meeting

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **NEXT MEETING** – 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday, **12FEB26** – 1800 Hours Social Hour & 1900 Hours for Regular Meeting - VFW Post 4364.
- **STAFF MEETING** – **02/05/26** – 1830 HOURS – via Zoom or Google Meet.

**CLOSING CEREMONY:** (The closing ceremony was conducted in accordance with the MCL Ritual.)

**CLOSING TIME: 20:10**

**ATTENDANCE:**

16 Members in good standing in attendance

1 Marines or FMF Corpsmen or Chaplains guests

2 Non-Marine guests.