JONES WOLIN & O'BRIEN MARINE CORPS LEAGUE Detachment 771 Wheeling, WV 26003

Monthly Meeting

Meeting called to order – Date: 230111 Time: 1900 Hours Members Present: <u>13</u>

Opening Ceremony: According to the Ritual.

Roll Call of Officers:

Commandant: Fred Brunner <u>P</u> Jr. Vice Commandant: Jim Edgell <u>P</u> Paymaster: Tim Conrad <u>P</u> Chaplain: Larry Beck <u>P</u> Web Sergeant: Steven Swenton <u>P</u> Sr. Vice Commandant: Stephen Duncil <u>P</u> Adjutant: Steven Swenton <u>P</u> Judge Advocate: John Richmond <u>P</u> Sergeant At Arms: Dewayne Meeker <u>P</u>

Applications for Membership:

Thomas S. Abel – Administered the oath of membership. DD-214 and credentials verified.

Minutes of the previous Meeting:

Read and Accepted w/o corrections: <u>Y</u> Tabled until: <u>____</u> Corrections: <u>___</u> List corrections made:

	Motion for approval: John Richmond	Seconded By: John Labriola	Aye <u>U</u>	Nay
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Correspondence:

None discussed.

Report of Members / Family sick or in distress:

None

Report of Officers

Commandant:

We need to review the By-Laws. Need to pay attention to the by-law procedures including term limits for Commandant.

Next meeting, we're going to ask the membership to fill out a form to update our personal information.

The Department wants to start posting our meeting minutes on our web site. As we haven't been doing this, we will start with the January 2023 minutes AFTER they're read and approved at the February meeting. This will be done in this manner each month.

The password to the MCL National Library for members is DD4.

Asked for volunteers for the Toys for tots committee, the Marine corps Ball committee, and the Detachment Family Picnic committee. Dwayne was appointed to the Pistol Raffle committee.

Sr. Vice Commandant: Updated us on John Nanny's memorial progress.

Jr. Vice Commandant: None

Adjutant: Read the minutes of the March meeting.

Paymaster:

General Ledger: \$5395.02 Special Ledger: \$2925.35 John Nanny Memorial: \$3071.17

The John Nanny memorial fund total includes a new donation of \$ 500.00 from the American Legion Post #1.

Detachment Account Total: \$ 11,391.34

Motion for approval: Stephen Duncil Seconded By: John Richmond Aye <u>U</u> Nay _____

Judge Advocate: Attended 47 funerals (188 man hours), 41 trips to the Pittsburgh VA Hospital (242 man hours and 69 passengers). Associate Deanna Wayt attended 32 funerals (128 woman hours)

Chaplain: Received the death notice for Marine Theodore J. Riley Life member of the Weston Detachment. Jean Beck, wife of Marine Larry Beck, has recovered from her stroke that she had back in November 2022.

Sergeant At Arms: None

Web Sergeant: None

Report of Standing/Special Committees:

None

Unfinished Business:

Update on a location for a Detachment shooting competition in the near future.

New Business:

None

Good of the League:

Mr. Blake from VFW 4442 informed us that the PACT Act allows Marines and others to sue the Government for damages done by the Camp Lejeune poisoned water situation. He warned us that any amount of money awarded (hypothetically \$ 200,000) would be required to be paid back to the VA as further benefits are received by any individual until the \$ 200,000 is paid back. Since the lawyers in the suit take around 40% to 50% in fees for their services, joining one of these lawsuits would cost the individual instead of awarding damages. Joining one of these lawsuits would be a bad idea. Go through your Veterans Service Officer (VSO) ONLY.

Announcements:

None

Closing Ceremony: According to the Ritual.

Time Closed: 1955 Hours