



GROUND ORDNANCE MAINTENANCE ASSOCIATION

GOMA Meeting Minutes (21 November 2019)

Meeting opened at 1900 (EST)

Other members present: None

Officers Present:

Chair	Charles Bushnell
Vice	Mike Lewis
Secretary	Jerod Murphy
Treasurer	Scott Burns
Prior Chair	Not available
Membership Chair	Joe Bering

OPENING

-Welcome to everyone who called in from the Chairman. Had a quick discussion about the potential new meeting phone line due to previous meeting cancellation. Chairman notified every one of the passing of the daughter of CWO4 Mike Dahlkamp (Ret). She was a special needs daughter and passed from a heart attack in late October. He reiterated that until the GOMA starts receiving a positive income again, it can't afford to purchase anything unless it is for the Marine or his wife. In the future, he will be more responsive in sending at least a card. The Chairman and his wife Kathy will be purchasing and sending him and his wife a memory bench from their own pocket.

PAST MINUTES

-Previous meeting minutes were accepted into the record.

TREASURER BUSINESS

-Currently approximately \$13,095.09 in account.

- Scott is the action officer on potentially revamping the GOMA paypal account in order to take full control of it. He is also researching to determine if the account type is appropriate for a non-profit entity.

-Chairman briefed the audit information:

FINDINGS-

1. In the monthly and corresponding debit tabs all contributions and expenses could not be determined as to the sources/purposes –
 - a. Recommendation – Accept and ensure future amounts are tracked appropriately.
2. In May 2019 highlighted in green is a deposit of \$262.67
 - a. Recommendation – accepted
3. Various charges by paypal.
 - a. Recommendation – Scott is researching
4. Not all transaction were recorded properly in the past
 - a. Recommendation – ensure accountability is beyond reproach moving forward
5. Ending balance for 2013 was off
 - a. Recommendation – accepted knowing past chairman had personally funded things
6. Initial startup and operating costs that were required were never charged to the Association
 - a. Recommendation - Accept

RECOMMENDATIONS-

1. Maintain a general ledger in order to properly track association financials.
2. Establish new PayPal account – Scott has for action
3. Clearly define all future debits
4. Forward all financials for the remaining calendar year to Kathy in order to update audit and prepare taxes



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Mike Lewis motioned to accept the audit findings and recommendations, Scott seconds. All vote in favor, motion carried.

MEMBERSHIP BUSINESS

-Still no new-joins with the exception of honor graduates (27) at the schoolhouses.

OTHER BUSINESS

- The Chairman reported having set up and executed an Ordnance Social in Albany GA on 5 Nov where about 18 people both active and retired showed up including wives. He recommends trying to get more of these going at least on a quarterly basis.

-Committees were briefed by Mike Lewis. Mike spoke to senior GOMA leadership on the West coast again (Major Lukkes, Major Saenz, Major Cleveland, Capt Bressler) and discussed the way ahead for GOMA. They were adamant that losing GOMA is a non-starter.

-Mike Lewis formally briefed the current status of the GOMA at the West Coast Ordnance Symposium on 17 October. Attendance was significant and Mike was able to pass on news and plans for GOMA.

-West Coast is planning a golf tournament that will raise money for GOMA. Mike Lewis has lead. Continues to drum up sponsors, etc.

-Recommendations on improving the GOMA website and Facebook Page. Including member's stories is something that has traction. Writing up some personal reflections from some of our membership that speaks to our history and accomplishments. Another recommendation was a newsletter from the GOMA with multiple authors. Still in development.

-The next monthly meeting will be on the 11th of December at 1900 EST. Dial in information will follow in separate correspondence.

-Reminder to membership – all members are invited and encouraged to dial in to the monthly meetings. The board's expectation is that we, as a community, should **want** to be engaged in our association and have our concerns heard. Please set aside some time to participate in order to make the GOMA the best it can be.

Meeting closed at 2015 (EST)

