



American Legion Riders 1340

General Membership Meeting

October 6, 2020

Preamble to the Constitution of the American Legion

*FOR GOD AND COUNTRY, WE ASSOCIATE OURSELVES TOGETHER
FOR THE FOLLOWING PURPOSES:*

To uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States of America.

To maintain law and order.

To foster and perpetuate a one hundred percent Americanism.

To preserve the memories and incidents of our associations in the Great Wars.

To inculcate a sense of individual obligation to the community, state and nation.

To combat the autocracy of both the classes and the masses.

To make right the master of might.

To promote peace and goodwill on earth.

To safeguard and transmit to posterity the principles of justice, freedom, and democracy.

To consecrate and sanctify our comradeship by our devotion to mutual helpfulness.

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American Legion Riders 1340 Meeting Minutes

Minutes for American Legion Riders 1340 meeting on Oct 6, 2020
Meeting held at American Legion Post 12, 6101 NW 50th Street; OKC, OK

- Commander Marxen opened the meeting at 7:00pm.
- Prayer - Chaplain Mike Harris
- POW/MIA Chair Ceremony - Sgt at Arms John Mockles
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Recitation of Preamble
- Present: 8 members, 1 guest
- New member welcome to Ronald Mathews!
- Finance Report: Current bank information for our financial report was not available, however, based on recent expenses, deposits and funds being held for deposit our current funds available should be approximately \$1900. A more accurate accounting should be available at next month's meeting.
- Robert Wicker is currently still out due to COVID concerns among other possible health issues.
- A moment was taken to remember recently passed fellow Legionnaire Mark Parker.
- Dept of Oklahoma Mid-Winter conference is currently scheduled for January 22nd and will be held again at the Grand Casino. A 10 Gun Drawing is being held at the conference with tickets on sale currently. \$10 buys you 10 chances to win. More info available at www.alr1340.org/raffle. For every \$10 ticket sold by our post we keep \$5 and \$5 goes to state. We have tickets available for to purchase or sale. If you would like to do either contact Rex @ 405-249-5927 or adjutant@alr1340.org.
- Mike reiterated the nonpolitical position required of all Legion members while representing the American Legion. A resent memo from our state adjutant was a reminder of our restriction from partisan politics while acting or appearing to act as a Legion member. If you did not receive the emailed memo a copy can be provided upon request.
- Special Olympics annual drive notice was received and presented to the members present. As an entity recognized by the American Legion an annual donation is normally made. Motion was made and seconded to donate \$200 to this year's activity and approved by the members present.
- Downed Bikers are planning an activity in conjunction with the Sweetwater, OK Veteran's Memorial to sell memorial bricks to be placed in the area.

More information will be provided when available.

- Pony Express Ride is still on to deliver Legacy funds to National. Out of state riders will be arriving on Saturday, Oct 10th, to join up with our local riders and begin the trip on Sunday morning. A safety briefing will be conducted at Post 12 on Saturday, Oct 10th at 7pm. Kick stands up on Sunday morning, Oct 11th, at 9am from Saddleback Inn. Additional riders will meet our group at the Will Rogers Turnpike Archway (Vinita Service Plaza). In addition to the \$3500 dollars raised by our state Legacy Run the Dept of OK has contributed \$1500 making our total presentation to National this year \$5000.
- We are using Post 12 facilities for our home operating base and taking advantage of the benefits they provide. As a part of that arrangement Post 1340 has agreed to help with Post 12 fundraising efforts. In the past that has primarily been the monthly Pancake Breakfast. Post 12 has started a weekly cornhole tournament and will begin a monthly Spaghetti Dinner on Oct 16th. We need volunteers to step up and help with these activities whenever possible. You don't need to volunteer to be at all of them but we would like to have a presence at all possible. This not only benefits Post 12 but the financial benefit is shared with Post 1340 when we assist.
- Due to the change in acting Adjutant our banking access and requirements need to be updated. Currently Mike Marxen, Robert Wicker and Ian Adams are on the authorized signature card. Participation has changed for various reasons as well as the change in Adjutant. After review of the information a motion was made and seconded to renew the signature card removing Robert Wicker and Ian Adams and adding Rex Warlick. Mike Marxen will remain on the account and it will be changed to require two signatures on any checks written. Motion was approved by members present.
- Planning meeting reminder for 2021 Legacy Run. Meeting will be held at Post 12 at noon on Saturday, Oct 17th. Mike Harris has agreed to provide an agenda to help keep the meeting as on topic and brief as possible. If you have or want to have input in next years ride you need to be there.
- Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:45pm
- Next meeting, Oct 13th.
- Closing Prayer – Chaplain Mike Harris
- Flag Salute
- Meeting closed

YES NO Mike Marxen
YES NO Mike Harris

YES NO Rex Warlick
YES NO John Mockles