

American Legion Riders 1340

General Membership Meeting

Aug 10, 2021 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 Aug 10, 2021 Meeting held at American Legion Post 12, 6101 NW 50th Street; OKC, OK

- Meeting opened at 7pm
- ➤ Pledge of Allegiance
- ➤ POW/MIA Chair Ceremony Sgt at Arms John Mockles
- > Prayer Chaplain Mike Marxen
- > Recitation of Preamble
- > Present: 11 members, 3 guests
- Finance Report: Current bank balance: \$1,130.43

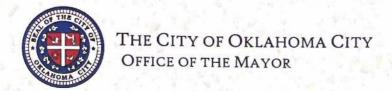
ALR1340 Bank B	alance as of:	August 10, 2021			
	YTD		Expenditures	Deposits	
BOY Balance	\$1,893.46	D - Donations	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Deposits	\$9,672.81	All Fundraisers	\$9,179.76	\$8,833.81	-\$345.95
Expenditures	\$10,435.84	O - Operating Exp	\$1,064.08	\$427.00	-\$637.08
Current Balance	\$1,130.43	R -Regular Dues	\$192.00	\$412.00	\$220.00
		S - Son's Dues	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
		Total:	\$10,435.84	\$9,672.81	-\$763.03
		Fundraisers			
		F - Fundraiser	\$272.70	\$378.81	\$106.11
		G - Gun Raffle	\$640.00	\$380.00	-\$260.00
		L - Legacy Run	\$8,267.06	\$6,450.00	-\$1,817.06
		T - Legacy Run T-Shirt	\$0.00	\$400.00	\$400.00
		X - Legacy Run Reg	\$0.00	\$1,225.00	\$1,225.00
			\$9,179.76	\$8,833.81	-\$345.95

- ➤ Ken Wyatt, Post 111 Commander was introduced and presented a citation (see below) signed by Mayor David Holt in recognition of Post 1340's contribution to assist veteran families affected by the 2020 ice storm.
- ➤ Rob Haugh, Post 12 Commander addressed the Coffee with a Vet program hosted at the Post each Wednesday morning at 7:30am. This program started last year with a few vets meeting to discuss common issues and avenues to assist and has grown into a productive group that promotes new ideas and programs to aide our veterans.
- A presentation was made by local sculptor, Scott Stearman regarding the planned Route 66 Veterans' Plaza, a tribute & memorial, to be located in Bethany on the corner of N. Donald Ave and Route 66. Scott presented the vision and planned location as well as information on veteran recognition opportunities that would help fund the effort. Dedication target date is Veterans Day 2022. Additional information attached.
- ➤ The National Legacy Run begins on August 22nd in Rogers, AR and includes stops in Oklahoma ending in Phoenix, AZ on the 26th. The first day lunch stop will include a

- presentation at the Choctaw Nation Memorial in Tuskahoma, OK. Lunch will be served, and additional volunteers may be needed. If you are interested in helping, please contact Mike Marxen, (405)812-8987.
- Remember the Post 12 Spaghetti dinner coming up on August 20th, 6pm-8pm. If you have non-perishable food items that you would like to donate to the new Post 12 Blessing Box, bring them along!
- ➤ The new Dept of Oklahoma Legion Riders Constitution and Bi-Laws are available online at Oklahoma Veterans The American Legion Department of Oklahoma (okamlegion.org) and also on our web site at American Legion Riders Post 1340 (alr1340.org).
- Aaron Corbett, a new transfer member was introduced. It was decided that we could accept him regardless of his Army affiliation! Welcome Aaron!
- ➤ Prayer request was made for our member James "Big Jim" Craig and his wife Melanie. Jim and Mel were involved in a motorcycle accident. Jim has some serious road rash and has undergone skin grafting and Mel had a broken ankle (or foot) and some cracked or broken ribs. Based on Jim's social media savvy, both are doing much better and we hope to see them back on the road soon.
- Midwinter Conference gun raffle tickets are available! Patriot 10 Gun Raffle

YES / NO - Mike Harris
YES / NO - Rex Warlick
YES / NO - John Mockles
YES / NO - Andrew Berrigan

YES / NO – Bryan Robinson YES / NO - Mike Marxen YES / NO - Rick Vasquez



Citation

WHEREAS, during the period of October 26-28, 2020, Oklahoma City and surrounding areas experienced a disastrous ice storm, which resulted in a state of emergency declaration from Governor Stitt and a Presidential major disaster declaration; and

WHEREAS, at the time the ice storm occurred, most trees and vegetation still had leaves, which magnified the impacts of the freezing rain and ice, causing extensive tree and branch damage, producing over 100,000 tons of vegetative debris; and

WHEREAS, some local military spouses of deployed service members experienced damage to their homes and due to damaged trees and branches, had difficulty getting in and out of their homes; and

WHEREAS, The City of Oklahoma City Office of Emergency Management was made aware of these military families and reached out to Ken Wyatt for assistance, who promptly mobilized the American Legion Posts to meet the need of these families; and

WHEREAS, Post Commander Robert Haugh and Waggoner-Trimble Post 12, Post Commander J.D. Kinnard and Kilgore-George Dean Post 310, and Post Commander Michael Marxen and American Legion Riders Post 1340, all answered the call to help the military families in need; and

WHEREAS, American Legion Posts responded to all requests and completed all of the requests, which helped protect property and ensure the safety of families of deployed military personnel; and

WHEREAS, the response efforts and actions of these posts are in the best tradition of the American Legion, their mission, vision, values and the Oklahoma Standard.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DAVID HOLT, Mayor of The City of Oklahoma City, do hereby recognize and commend the unselfish service of these American Legion Posts and thank them on behalf of the people of Oklahoma City.

SIGNED the 11th day of May 2021.



