



American Legion Riders 1340  
General Membership Meeting

**April 14, 2026**

**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 all 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.

[www.alr1340.org](http://www.alr1340.org)

Minutes for American Legion Riders 1340 meeting on Feb 10, 2026  
Meeting held at American Legion Post 12, 6101 NW 50<sup>th</sup> Street; OKC, OK

- Meeting opened at 7:00
- Salute to Colors
- Prayer – Dan Thomas
- POW/MIA Chair Ceremony – Jonathan Burton
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Recitation of Preamble
- 12 members, 3 Guest present
- No minutes available for weather canceled March meeting.
- Finance Report reviewed and approved: Current bank balance **\$2414.69**.

**ALR1340 Bank Balance as of:            April 14, 2026**

		Expenditures	Deposits	Balance
<b>Mar 10, 2026</b>	<b>\$2,264.44</b>	D - Donations	\$0.00	\$0.00
Deposits	\$381.00	All Fundraisers	\$0.00	\$381.00
Expenditures	\$230.75	O - Operating Exp	\$230.75	-\$230.75
<b>Apr 14, 2026</b>	<b>\$2,414.69</b>	R - Regular Dues	\$0.00	\$0.00
		S - Son's Dues	\$0.00	\$0.00
		<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$230.75</b>	<b>\$381.00</b>
				<b>\$150.25</b>

		YTD	Expenditures	Deposits	Balance
BOY Balance	<b>\$1,933.44</b>	D - Donations	\$674.00	\$0.00	-\$674.00
Deposits	\$1,677.00	All Fundraisers	\$55.00	\$1,317.00	\$1,262.00
Expenditures	\$1,195.75	O - Operating Exp	\$367.75	\$180.00	-\$187.75
Current Balance	<b>\$2,414.69</b>	R - Regular Dues	\$74.00	\$150.00	\$76.00
		S - Son's Dues	\$25.00	\$30.00	\$5.00
		<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$1,195.75</b>	<b>\$1,677.00</b>	\$481.25

Fundraisers		Balance	
C - Challenge Coins	\$0.00	\$345.00	\$345.00
F - Fundraiser	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
G - Gun Raffle	\$55.00	\$90.00	\$35.00
L - Legacy Run	\$0.00	\$509.00	\$509.00
P - Post 12	\$0.00	\$373.00	\$373.00
X - LR T's & Registration	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	<b>\$55.00</b>	<b>\$1,317.00</b>	<b>\$1,262.00</b>

### Upcoming Events / Old Business

- Spaghetti Dinner - Apr 17th, 6pm to 8pm
- Pancake Brunch - May 2nd, 8am to 11am

**Additional help will be needed for both meals. If you are able to help please contact [Mike Marxen](#) or [Brett Martin](#).**

- Post 1340 Meeting - May 12<sup>th</sup>, 7pm
- 2026 OK State Legacy Run - May 15<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>  
Info and Registration forms [here!](#)
- Holdenville Post 32 Veterans Creek Dedication – Jun 20<sup>th</sup>, 10am  
**Possible ride event – see attached.**

### **New Business**

- Our annual solicitation for Special Olympics Oklahoma for \$200 was presented and approved by those members present.
- Legacy Run fund raising status was discussed. In the past all proceeds collected from 50/50 ticket sales at various events as well as our coin sales have been dedicated to the Legacy Run. Currently we have \$854 collected from those efforts since the 2025 Summer Convention. It was voted and approved by those members present that these proceeds as well as any raised by those efforts up to and including the 2026 Summer Convention would be presented to the OK State Legacy Run Fund at that time. This would also include any donations collected by Post 1340 specified for the 2026 Legacy Run.
- New **gun raffle tickets** are available for the Summer Convention drawing. Check out what is available on our web page and share the link with all your friends! <http://www.alr1340.org/raffle.htm>

### **Dinner Rides**

- **May 2 - Saturday - Ken's steaks (Amber) - DINNER – meet at Mustang Lowes parking lot at 4:15, KST 4:30**
- **July 25 - Chicken shack (Arcadia) – DINNER – meet at Capitol area at Jim Thorpe Building parking lot 5:30 KTU at 5:45**

*Please confirm your attendance with Aaron Corbett 405-326-4196*

➤ *Next regular meeting: May 12<sup>th</sup>.*

➤ Benediction – Dan Thomas

➤ Colors retired

➤ POW/MIA chair retired.

YES / NO – Mike Marxen

YES / NO – Aaron Corbett

YES / NO – Dan Thomas

YES / NO – Rex Warlick

YES / NO – Jonathan Burton

YES / NO – Rick Vasquez



Captain Doyle Tampleton and Holdenville American Legion Post 32 initiated a project approximately three years ago to formally name the currently unnamed 1 1/4-mile creek constructed by the Works Progress Administration (WPA) in the 1930s.

The creek begins near the old Diamond School area and runs through Stroup Park in Holdenville, Oklahoma.

The project first received approval from the Holdenville City Council.

Following that approval, Captain Tampleton began the federal naming process through the U.S. Board on Geographic Names (USBGN), where he was informed the process could take approximately three to five years. Seeking to expedite the effort, Captain Tampleton contacted U.S. Senator James Lankford, who helped identify a more localized pathway through the Oklahoma Board on Geographic Names, based at the University of Oklahoma. Captain Tampleton then worked directly with Chair Cesalea Ray to advance the application. Captain Tampleton secured broad support from key stakeholders, including Oklahoma State Senator James Lankford, City Manager Theresa Barkhimer, Hughes County Commissioners, State Representative David Smith, Muscogee Nation Chief David Hill, and Muscogee Nation Veterans Coordinator Grover Wind. A formal letter of support from Principal Chief David W. Hill confirms the Nation's endorsement of the name "Veterans Creek." The letter emphasizes honoring veterans, particularly those connected to the WPA project and the Holdenville community, and recognizes their service and sacrifice. Additionally, the Nation expressed a desire to incorporate the Mvskoke (Muscogee) language into the naming process to preserve cultural heritage. Because there is no direct translation for "veteran" in the Mvskoke language, an adapted name meaning "Warrior Creek" was proposed and agreed upon.

The proposed Mvskoke name is Tvstvnvke Hvccuce, meaning "Warrior Creek" ("Tvstvnvke" meaning warrior). To honor both English and Mvskoke heritage, signage will be installed in Stroup Park near the creek displaying both names, "Warrior Creek" and Tvstvnvke Hvccuce.

A community-wide celebration is planned to commemorate the hard work and dedication of this project. The event will take place on June 20th at 10:00 AM in Stroup Park. Representatives from each organization and department that contributed to the success of this effort will be recognized and invited to participate.

