



**American Legion McCulloch-Wagner Post 109  
15921 S. Houghton Road  
Corona AZ 85641**

**11 Feb, 2025**

**General Membership Meeting** was called to order at Post 109 at 7:08pm.

*Roll Call of Officers:*

Roosevelt McKnight Commander	Present	Tom Kopecky Executive Member	Present
Brad Adams 1 <sup>st</sup> Vice	Present	Hugo Fontes Executive Member	Present
Jessica Ziegler 2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice	Present	Sean Stephenson Historian	Present
Joyce Lee Adjutant/Secretary	Present	Andre Koster Past Commander	Present
Rick Morgan Finance	Present	Mike Shaughnessy Chaplain	Excused
Steve Brooks Sgt. @ Arms	Present	Jeff McIntyre Judge Advocate	Present
Jon Upchurch Executive Member	Present		

Charter Draped for Ross Cox, He has gone to Post Everlasting

Rick Curry moved to accept the minutes as posted on line, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Matt Johnson. motion passed

**Guest:** None

**Committee Reports:**

**Community Liaison:** We are working with the schools to be a part of Vail Pride Day. We're also working with the Vail Chamber of Commerce to be on the Montel Williams Show, with and Army Guard unit participating in a home make over for a veteran in the area. We'll be asking for help once that gets stated. Commander Thanked Ginger for all her assistance and hard work.

**Auxiliary:** Next Fish Fry 21 Feb 5-7. Next meeting 3 March at 7 pm. Auxiliary is starting Slingo again the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month starting 9 March 3-5 pm. Commander Thanked them for doing Taco Tuesday and Bingo food.

**Son's:** Membership; 190 renews with 70 new members. New gun raffle, an MP 5 22 long H&K drawing 29 April.

**Riders:** Kilt run is 22 March \$20.00 per rider \$25.00 for rider with passenger, registration 9-10 last bike in 5pm. 25 April we're going to start having Bike Night quarterly on Friday night when we have the Rider's dinner, 5-9 pm. Bike nights are planned for July, October and January.

**CZV: Tom;** Slingo this Sunday 3-5pm.

**Scouts: Cubs** are doing well. The **Girl Scouts** meeting last night and Roosevelt as a Border Patrol canine handler/instructor did a canine demonstration. They are unable to selling cookies in the Thunder Bird lounge during the Queen of Hearts. A different troop will be selling cookies in the cantina on Fridays. **Boy Scouts** had a car and bike wash and their Fish Fry dinner last weekend. 1 March they will have a car and bike wash with a fish fry to follow.

**Club:** No report

**Kitchen:** Kim has obtained her Kitchen Management Certificate from the Health Department. She's doing a great job with Breakfast on the weekends and providing food for events in the lounge.

**Chaplain:** Sick call; John Klein aka "Joker" is in the V.A. expecting to be released 14 Feb.

**Bingo:** No report

**VSO:** No report.

**Boys State:** No report.

### **Closed Legionnaires Only**

**House Rules:** No report.

**Membership Sr. Vice:** Membership report read; we are at 99 % of goal for 2025, with 23 new members and 7 transfers. Sean moved to accept the report, new members and transfers as read, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dean, motion passed

**Jr. Vice:** The new blood drive dates have been updated to the calendar. 12 April is Open House with lots of activities for families. Triva Night is the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays and is going well,

**Sgt@Arms:** Thanks to the Kelly's for painting and providing paintings and mirrors in the bathrooms in the dining room.

**Finance:** Rick gave the finance report. Jon moved to accept the finance report as given, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dave. Motion passed.

**Historian:** Nothing New.

### **Unfinished Business**

Jeff McIntyre moved to reduce Dean's suspension to 1 month, and he will apologize to general membership and bartender, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sean. During discussion Roosevelt read House Rules 32 and 33. Tom moved to postpone motion until we have contacted a parliamentarian, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dean. After further discussion Jeff and Sean withdrew their motion. Tom and Dean withdrew their motion. Dean presented a letter for appeal.

## **New Business**

Steve moved to repair the bar wells using stainless steel and have names laser etched into the stainless steel, cost \$700, 2<sup>nd</sup> Andre. Show of hands vote 33 Yay 0 no 2 abstained, motion passed.

## **Good of the Legion**

The Auxiliary shed has been moved to behind the lounge. This opens the pecan lot for more parking. The prep work has been done for placement of the connex replacing the cleaning shed and the lounge shed.

Power to the pecan lot is complete.

A shout -out to the Kelly's for donating paintings, mirrors and painting the bathrooms in the dining room.

The donations for the survivors of the California fires were greatly appreciated.

We're working with Micha Mountain High School more information to follow.

A young veteran took his life in our community. We're trying to help with the family. We're requesting Boulder Crest to give a presentation at a Legionnaire meeting. Boulder Crest focus is post traumatic growth.

We're planning to attend award ceremony 27 Feb at Corona Ft. Hills Middle school; they have received the best middle school award for the last 3 years in the state of Arizona.

25 Feb is the Vail School Board meeting.

Roosevelt has been asked to walk in the Vail Pride Day Parade. 24 Feb is the next planning meeting.

**Correspondence:** 2 thank you cards read and a donation of \$100.00 in John Avril's name has been received. 2 thank you letters from the Greater Vail ReSources was read for donations from the Combat Zone Vets and the legion.

Meeting adjourned at 8:22pm

Respectfully signed,

*Roosevelt McNight*  
Roosevelt McNight  
Commander

*Joyce Lee*  
Joyce Lee  
Adjutant