

The meeting was called to order at 6pm, by President Steve Prather.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Sgt of Arms Carrie Morkert.

Steve announced Rockhound of the Year, Elley Ringo. He gave her a plaque and rocks, and turned the meeting over to her,

Field Trips: Elley announce 2 upcoming field trips.

10-18 to find local geodes and agates. 4WD vehicle will be necessary.

11-1, Red Cloud Mine opens. It is by Yuma, search for Wulfenite, \$35.

Information will be sent out via email.

Treasurer's report, by Linda Harley in Michele Trumbull's absence. She reports that we are doing well, and in spite of it being summer, we have brought in better than usual funds in the lapidary shop. Also, in spite of it being summer and very warm, the electricity has been used sparingly and the bill is not as high as expected.

Sargent at Arms, Carrie Morkert, reported that the memorial for Don Wininger will be on Monday, Oct. 6, at 10 AM at the Hilltop Church.

Also coming up is the Christmas Boat Parade and party on Dec. 13, at the canal, starting at 4PM. January 7 is the first meeting of the new year, and it would be fun to have hors d'oeuvres and snacks to celebrate the New Year. More information will be forthcoming, along with information about the February and March picnics at Rotary Park.

The Minutes from the previous meeting, found in "Rocky Tales" were approved unanimously.

Rose Mann, Membership Chairman, reported that there is a total of 342 members, after 16 new members signed up this month. Two new members, Jessica Herrera and Matthew Saginario, were present and received polished rocks from Carrie.

The Lapidary Shop has been busy, with new wheels on cab machines and good business all summer. Steve mentioned that the flat laps should be used for polishing large slabs, and cab machines are for cabs only.

The By-Laws and Standing Rules have been reviewed and revised by Elley. They will be in the Rocky Tales for review and will be voted on at the next meeting.

Gem Show: Elley reports that the vendor spaces have been filled and all is going as it should. Sandie is working on donations for the scholarship basket raffle and asks if anyone could donate items or if they know of local businesses that they frequent that might be interested in donating items. We still need volunteers for baking and for helping at the show.

Rose Mann is organizing Fright Night, October 31, on McCullough Blvd. She asks for more candy to be donated and hopes there will be members in costumes to help at the table.

QIA Pow Wow, in January, Quartzsite needs volunteers for the club booth.

Lake Havasu Winterfest, Jan 31 – Feb 1, 2026. We have 2 booths. More info to follow.

T-shirts have been ordered and will be available for purchase at the Gem Show. They will cost \$30

A short break was taken.

The 50/50 drawing was won by Tara Houck and Dana Blackwell

The cabochon contest was won by Bamby Wallingford.

The next meeting will be November 5th at the Lake Havasu Yacht Club, 5:30 PM greeting and 6PM meeting

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:53 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Willis

Secretary
