

Lake Havasu Gem & Mineral Society
General Membership Meeting Minutes
November 5, 2025

Officers Present

President Steve Prather

Vice President Elley Ringo

Treasurer Michele Trumbull

Secretary Sandra Willis

Sgt at Arms Carrie Morkert

Three Year Director Linda Harley

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

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

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

Treasurer's report by Michele Trumbull. She reports that we are doing fine in spite of the fact that the funds have dipped. They always do so at this time of year due to expenses for the Gem Show.

Havasu Rocks is doing well, with good sales. Michele is rearranging the shop using color coding, with Chakra coloring on one side and alphabetical arrangement of the other.

Sargent at Arms, Carrie Morkert, reported that the Christmas Boat Parade and party on Dec.13, will be at the London Bridge canal, Island side #5, starting at 4PM. The club will furnish Brats and condiments. Please sign up to bring side dishes. She suggests we come early, as parking can be challenging.

Rose Mann, Membership Chairman, reported that there is a total of 353 members. New member, Julie Revilla, has been working hard with Sandie to fill the raffle baskets for the scholarship fund.

The Lapidary Shop has been busier, due to our winter visitors' returns.

Gem Show: The show is ready to go. Please sign up to volunteer. Set-up begins at 7AM on Friday.

The By-laws and Standing Rules, sent out in email, was voted on after motion by Tom Lucas and second by Sandra Willis, and accepted unanimously.

Elections will be next meeting. Up for election are, Kelsey Frederickson for Secretary, Steve Prather for Havasu Rocks Director, John Jackson for Lapidary Director, and Josh Bagwell for Sargent at Arms.

Steve thanked Rose Mann for organizing Fright night. They gave out 6000 pieces of candy.

Field Trips. The trip to Red Cloud Mine was very nice. At the mine, Jessica Herrera was proposed to by Matthew Saginario. The next trip will be to Hauser Geobed, sometime before Thanksgiving. High clearance vehicles will be necessary. December will be a trip near Aguila for thunder eggs. Information will be on the website.

At the board meeting a contingency fund was voted in for \$10,000 to be taken from the Society's account, to cover unexpected expenses that cannot be covered by the Havasu Rocks and Lapidary fund.

Upcoming Events include the QIA Pow wow (Jan 21st to Jan 25th), and Winterfest (Jan 31st to Feb 1st). Information will be found on the Website. Volunteers are needed.

The River Rat Radio ad has been renewed for 3 months

Tee shirts are available for \$25 and will be sold at the Gem Show and at the shop.

Karen Sawyer spoke about her rock tumbling contest. Information and kits will be available at the show.

A break was taken.

Cab contest winner was Kelsey Frederickson with her turquoise lightning rod.

50/50 raffle went to Duane Billeddeaux and Steve Payne.

Door prizes went to Byron Jacobson and Debbie Billeddeaux.

The next meeting will be December 3rd, at the Yacht Club, 5:30PM meet and greet and 6PM meeting.

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:10.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Willis

Secretary