
Lake Havasu Gem & Mineral Society

General Membership Meeting

December 3, 2025

Officers Present

President Steve Prather

Vice President Elley Ringo

Treasurer Michele Trumbull

Secretary Sandra Willis

Sgt at Arms Carrie Morkert

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

The Minutes from the previous meeting, found in Rocky Tales, were accepted without comments or corrections.

A comment was made about the lack of doing the Pledge of Allegiance. Members present voted to do it. It was led by Carrie Morkert. The reason stated was that this was not a political organization.

Elley Ringo reported that the field trip to Jack's Place by Oatman was a success and we may be able to do another trip in January. December 20th is the trip to Hauser Geode Beds, past Blythe, California. It is an all-day

trip and requires 4WD vehicle. There will be some that will want to make it a camping trip.

Treasurer's report by Michele Trumbull is available at the shop. She opened a contingency fund of \$10,000 to be in a separate account and used for unexpected occurrences, such as that which happened during the Covid shut down. Michele asked that someone help by doing her "Road Show" presentation in the schools. It is a demonstration of minerals in Arizona.

Havasus Rocks shop is doing well, with good sales. Michele's rearrangement and organization of the shop have put a positive presence for those who visit.

The Lapidary Shop, per Steve, is being underutilized. He hopes that more members will use it.

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 368 members. There are 16 new members, 13 from the gem show.

Elections have been delayed until there are persons who can fill the positions. Positions open are for Secretary and Lapidary Director. Steve Prather is running for Havasu Rocks Director and Josh Bagwell for Sargent at Arms. Sandie spoke about the position of Secretary.

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 Quartzsite trip will also include a campout, headed by Alan Hay. He will set up a spot for the club members that attend. There will be a potluck on Thursday or Friday.

Tee shirts are available for \$25 and aprons for \$30 at the shop.

A break was taken.

Cab contest winner was Paul Black.

50/50 raffle went to Bob Giese and Joie Thomas.

Door prizes were given to Kim Hay, Donna Milquist, Jace Verketter, Julie Revilla, Judy Nevins, John Falconer and Al Hay.

Gem Show comments from Elley, stated the food trucks were a hit and vendors were happy. They have secured the Aquatic Center for the first week in November, the 7th and 8th. There will be a meeting at the Aquatic center in January and then we will know more about next year's gem show. They also plan to have more committees. She thanked the people who volunteered, including Josh Bagwell, Julie Revilla, Judy & Ken Nevins, Byron, Keith, Paul and Bruce.

The next meeting will be January 7th, at the Yacht Club, 5:30PM meet and greet and 6PM meeting. It will be a potluck to celebrate the new year.

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:02.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Willis

Secretary