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## Meeting minutes March 5, 2026

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**CALL TO ORDER: 1800 hrs.**

**ROLL CALL OFFICERS: 6**

**TOTAL # MEMBERS PRESENT: 13**  
**GUEST: 3**

**Call to Order: 6pm** – Andy presided.

**Prayer:** Fred Presented

**MEETING MINUTES:** Prior meeting minutes for Feb 5, 2026, were made available through email and copies on table. Fred gave 1<sup>st</sup> motion to accept the minutes and Clint 2<sup>nd</sup> it. Approved unanimously.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** John presented the financial report for the month of February. The beginning balance for Feb. was \$16,291.06 with \$325.68 expenditures for the month and \$1261.00 in Income. Final balance \$17,226.38. Fred 1<sup>st</sup> motion to accept the financial report and Willie 2<sup>nd</sup> it. Approve unanimously.

### OLD BUSINESS

1. **Memorial Bricks in Front for a memorial:** Question was asked if we looked into getting memorial bricks. Currently, nothing has been done or looked at in getting the bricks. The idea was something suggested and may be looked at as time goes on.

### New Business

1. **Christmas Party Expense reimbursement.** Mrs. Sylvia D. Spent \$66.26 for the Christmas party. It was 1<sup>st</sup> motion by Willie to reimburse Sylvia and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ron. It was unanimously approved. Receipt given to John to cut check for reimbursement.
2. **March Officer nomination:** There were no new nominations for officers except for the Finance position.
  - a. No new Nominations for new Officers except Finance so Fred first motion the acclamation to keep the current officers, except for Finance officer. Willie 2<sup>nd</sup> it. It was unanimously approved.
  - b. John nominated Ron for the Finance Officer. Clint 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion.
  - c. Since there were no more nominations for Finance Officer. Clint 1<sup>st</sup> motion to make Ron the new Finance officer, Arthur 2<sup>nd</sup> it. Ron accepted to be the Finance officer.
  - d. Fred made a motion to accept Ron as the new Finance officer and Willie 2<sup>nd</sup> it, and it was unanimously approved. **Congratulation Ron as Post 90 finance officer.**

3. **St Patrick's Day event: March 14<sup>th</sup>.** We will be helping out at the gates for St Patrick's day. Those who are attending will allocate the money earned to which division in the Post.
4. **VEAC March 19-21.** Looking for volunteers to help out with parking. Please see Andy if interested.
5. **The Purchasing 2 new Computers:** Plan is to purchase two new computers **one** for the Adjutant and the other for the Finance Officers with software needed for both. Mark has been investigating price and he was looking around \$750 to \$1000. Fred motioned 1<sup>st</sup> that we provide \$1200 to purchase 2 computers and James 2<sup>nd</sup> it. It was then discussed, that we will need to buy thumb drives, mice, etc. So, Fred amended his 1<sup>st</sup> motion to \$1500 and Clint 2<sup>nd</sup> it and it was unanimously approved.
6. **Gun Raffle Tickets.** This is a big money maker for the Post. Please come get your tickets to sell. They are \$25.00 apiece. Whatever the cost for the gun you win, you can use that money toward anything at Sportsman Warehouse. You don't need to get the gun. Please see Andy, Mark or Jim to get your tickets.
7. **Bank Fee's.** Fred was asking why we pay Bank fees. New Finance officer will look into this.
8. **Blessing of Bike's:** The legion riders are having a blessing of the Bikes March 28; from 11am to 2pm. we will be selling BBQ plates for \$10 apiece. No need to have a motorcycle to come out and get a plate of food and visit with them.
9. **Welcome Old member:** We welcomed Mark Bayes and family back to our Post from Virginia.
10. **Legionnaire of the Year.** Arthur Lozano is Post 90 Legionnaire of the Year. **CONGRADULATIONS GOES OUT TO AUTHUR.**
11. **NEXT MEETING: DUE TO HOLY WEEK, MOVING NEXT MONTHS MEETING TO APRIL 9<sup>th</sup>, 2026 at 6pm.**

#### **Anything Else from Members.**

**John** – He wanted insure we were all praying for Lonnie's quick recovery.

**Fred** – Said if you know someone that is in the hospital or needs his assistance please contact him.

**Arthur** – Said we currently do not have anyone for Boy State. If you know of someone, please contact Arthur.

**Meeting Adjourned: 7:00pm**

#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

St. Patrick's Day gatekeepers  
VEAC parking  
Blessing of Bikes \$10 BBQ plate  
Next meeting

March 14, 2026  
March 19-21, 2026  
March 28, 2026  
April 9, 2026