

American Legion Post 324

Regular Meeting Minutes April 12, 2026

Meeting called to order at 4:00 PM by Commander Stefanie Otto

16 Members signed the attendance roster and 1 visitors for a total of 17. This includes 5 officers.

Opening ceremonies were performed.

Previous Meeting Minutes. Donna McCarty motioned to suspend the reading of the minutes, second provided by Wayne Huebner. No discussion and the motion was approved.

Finance Officer: Mike Larose read the revised financial report. The report showed the following top line financial as of April 1st, 2026.

Bank Balance:	\$5,603.04
Committed Funds:	\$ 2,840.00
Total Available Funds:	\$ 2,763.04

Jimmy Baughman moved to accept the Financial Report. Donna McCarty provided a second. Motion passed.

Reports:

1st Vice Commander: Nothing to report

2nd Vice Commander: Absent

Chaplain: N/A

Service Officer: Nothing to report

Sergeant at Arms: Nothing to report

Historian: Absent

JAG: Nothing to report

One new member was present, Saul Cenicacelaya, transfer from Norman Oklahoma and a Marin Corp. Veteran.

Sick Call: Paul Sarraf, although present, continues to mend himself from a car accident while fighting cancer. John Pettijohn has suffered another stroke. Jean Dicks is also ill. Wayne Huebner is mending from an accident. Keep these members in your thoughts and prayers. August Hoffmeister, 96-year-old Korean Veteran and long-time member passed away on March 31st.

Old Business:

Commander Stefani Otto announced that our charity this quarter is Grace After Fire. They prefer Walmart Gift Cards to support the women or Donate online at <https://graceafterfire.org/support-us/donate.html>.

Membership is within 5 members to get to 100% of goal of 256. Please remind your fellow members to renew.

Our Auxillary is very close to finalizing all necessary steps to become official. They will initially meet with us so please encourage your wife or daughter if a woman veteran to join.

New Business:

Commander Stefanie Otto reported that the next DEC will be at our post on May 5th in this room. The meal will be pizza and a salad.

Jersey Village Officer of the Quarter will be awarded on April 20th at 7pm at the Community Center. Wayne Huebner will be helping out in case I do not make it back in time.

Commander Stefanie Otto spoke of the Fleet Week Event that post 827 is participation in on April 15th to 22nd. Terry will send out the flyer with the information on the Downtown and Ship Channel events.

The Commander also announced VFW 8905 is having their Red and White Gala this coming Friday, April 17th at 6pm. The first person who attends from our post will have their dinner paid. This event is put on by the Military Order of the Cootie Auxillary with proceeds going to Veteran Suicide Prevention. Talk to Allen Perkins for more information.

Commander installed our three new officers. Paul Hains as Chaplin, and Donna McCarty and Jimmy Baughman as Executive Member Representatives. Also, David Cho was installed as our 1st backup Sgt. Of Arms.

Good of the Legion:

Commander Stefanie Otto announced that she has 3 polo shirts for sale at \$35 each. She has 2 large and 1 extra large.

Commander Stefanie Otto also presented a fund-raising opportunity to sell 12" by 18" flags designed for the U.S. 250th Independence anniversary. Current printer price is 500 flags for a cost of \$1,800.00. We can sell these for \$10 each and make as much as \$3,000.00. Donna McCarty offered to check with a friend that does printing for possible cost savings. The design cost has been donated.

Trey Pryor announces the next bus trip will be June 10th to tour Channel 2 station. There is a limit of 25 people and lunch will be at Willies Icehouse in Cypress. Terry Coon will send out the information so please sign up by emailing Trey as soon as possible.

Jimmy Baughman spoke of the last bus trip to the Reach charity organization and it helps the disabled. For \$25 we created mosaic glass items and we were served lunch. He has the items for members.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:36pm. Next meeting will be on May 3rd, at 4pm, due to Mother's Day on the second Sunday of May, at VFW 8905, HWY 290 next to Carl's BBQ.

Respectfully Submitted

Terry Coon, Post Adjutant