



ST. LOUIS POLICE VETERANS' ASSOCIATION

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Meeting Minutes of March 11, 2026, St. Louis Police Veterans' Association

The Meeting was called to order at 11:30 AM by President Diane Priest Dailey who led the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance. Brother John led us in prayer. All officers were present.

Brother John Fava was presented with a plaque from the veterans for his years of support to our organization. He will continue to attend our meetings but has retired from his department Chaplain role.

The reading of the March treasurer's report was waved. Motion to approve the report was made by Craig Longworth and seconded by Don Kamerer. Motion passed on a voice vote.

The reading of the February meeting minutes was waived. Motion to approve the report was made by Wil Grove and seconded by Arnie Miller. Motion passed on a voice vote.

Sick officers:
Steve Pollihan

Deceased officers:
Norvel Zeiger

Secretary Darla Gray gave an update on SLPVA shirts. Apparel Pro will complete the orders and will deliver them to the Association Hall. An email will be sent when you can pick up your merchandise. Members who choose delivery should expect their merchandise within the next few weeks. The site is still open if you have not ordered yet.

Don Cognata's grandson is working on his doctorate and in need of subjects who learned English after age 6.

Erich von Nida, President of the SLMPD Memorial Fund spoke about his organization. They provide means for officers from our department to attend police week in DC. They also assist with those who wish to attend the state memorial service in Jefferson City. In 2027 they will be offering 2 opportunities for the police veterans to attend police week and the National Law Enforcement Memorial.

Joe Steiger, St. Louis Police Officers Association, asked our members to support the businesses of current Board of Police Commissioners. These businesses are being boycotted by protest groups because of their association with the SLMPD. These businesses include Don Brown Chevrolet, Maggie O'Brien's, Chris' Pancake, Bartolino's and The Docket.

Attendance: 59. The 50-50 drawing was \$71.

Motion to adjourn by Wil Grove and seconded by Arnie Miller. Passed by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 11:45am. The next meeting will be April 8 at the association Hall. **The May picnic will be on May 6 at Cliff Cave Park.**

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