



Royal Canadian Mounted Police
Veterans' Association
PEI Division



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Minutes of the Meeting (September 17th, 2019)

Welcome & Introduction

Following a brief reception, the President called the May Meeting of the RCMPVA (PEI) to order. Members and guests were welcomed. Special mention made to welcome George Corney.

The Following members were in attendance:

Mike O'Neil, Fred Foster, Lew Robinson, Royce Greene, Dave Corrigan, Peter Sorensen, Ben MacConnell, Damion Dunsford, Reg Campbell, Gordon Coffin, Ian Gemmell, Ed Gillis, Don MacAulay, Richard MacAulay, Ernie MacAulay, Lorne MacKinnon, Ray McCormack, Gary McLeod, Anne O'Shaughnessy, Phil Pitts, Ian Beer, Wayne Schlyer, Jerry Woolfrey, Geoff Tucker, George Corney and Brian Weldon.

Adoption of Agenda

The agenda as circulated was adopted.

Last Post

The membership offered a moment of silence for those who had passed since our November Meeting, in particular former "L" Division members: Regimental #18247, Harry Kennedy, Regimental #34421, Bill Sutton, Regimental #29971, Bruce Calnen and Regimental #17550, Sidney Gordon MacNaughton

Birthdays

Born in June

Royce Greene, Jack Jans, Don Webster, Ernie MacAuley, Jim Cairns, Dan MacLean, Ron Allan, Les Chipperfield, Mike Murphy, William Chisholm, Scott Ferris.

Borne in July

Bill Monteith, Ann Williams, John Dunne, Ed Pretty, Dene Williamson, Kim Hendricken, John Warr, Richard Thibeault.

Born in August

Hugh Rankin, Marion Riehl, Bob Moffatt, Chuck Snow, Lorne MacKinnon, Jerry Wolfrey, Aletha MacDonald, Ray McCormack, Scott Stevenson, Dan D'Amour.

Born in September

Basil MacKay, Damien Dunsford, Geoff Tucker, Ken Cormier, Wendell Murchison, Hank Pollard.



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Minutes of Previous Meeting

Minutes of the meeting held on 2019-05-21 had been circulated by email and posted on our web site. It was moved by Brian Weldon and 2nd. Geoff Tucker that minutes be adopted as posted all present were in favour. Minutes adopted and retained on file.

Financial Statements

Fred Foster gave an update on current state of finances, including; an update on dues collected, monies collected for the upcoming Memorial Service, reimbursement of travel money by Scott Ferris. Fred also reminded the group that annual dues are due by January 01, 2020. Fred Foster moved financial update be adopted, seconded by Lorne MacKinnon, and all those present indicated in favour.

Business Arising from the Minutes

Two meetings ago, Dene Williamson mentioned having a presentation in the future on the Benefit Trust Fund. Peter Sorenson suggested Ruby Burns may be able to accommodate this for us. Ruby was contacted and she advised that she did not believe she could give this topic the justice it deserved. Another option will be explored for a future meeting.

Correspondence

Most correspondence received was electronic which was all circulated to the membership as it was received. A thank-you was received from Damion Dunsford for the financial assistance given by the "L" Div. Veterans Assn. card was read and circulated to the group. A thank you letter from Lorne MacKinnon on behalf of the "L" Division reunion committee was read and circulated.

New Business

Information was presented to those present regarding how to purchase the removable RCMP crest for wearing on a blazer. Information retained in electronic file. Cost of the crest is \$25.00 and it can be obtained from Gordon M. Cave, 14548 102A Ave., Surrey, BC V3R 1R3. Telephone # 778-688-6181, or email jag140@telus.net

Reports from County Representatives:

Kings County

Richard MacAulay indicated nothing new to report.



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Queens County

Wayne Schleyer indicated nothing new to report.

Prince County

Ron Allan reported that the Prince County Social has been booked for The Silver Fox Curling & Yacht Club for Tuesday October 15th. At 12:00 Noon. Further information will be forthcoming.

Entertainment Committee

Phil Pitts noted that there will be a Christmas Social as in past years, he is in the midst of planning the event and expects it will be sometime in the first two weeks of December. Further information will be disseminated electronically to all membership.

Gravesite Inspection Committee

Damien Dunsford reported that he has been unable to start due to his apartment being destroyed, however Mike O'Neil indicated that the process is underway but not yet completed.

Membership & Credentials Committee

Ernie MacAulay advised nothing new to report.

Advocacy Committee

Ruby Burns recently attended a session with all Division Advocates in Regina. The process is in effect and functioning well. Further information will be provided as it becomes available.

The Ted Whelan Annual Award

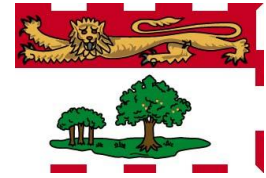
Mike O'Neil read the criteria for this award and advised/encouraged everyone present to think about worthy candidates and make a nomination. Lew Robinson will be the Chair of the committee for this year.

Military Family Resource Centre

Richard Thibault provided an email to read. Richard indicated that the MFRC has been active and encourages all to take advantage of the programs offered. Reminders for the



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golfing on the 9th. of June and reminder for the ride reunion 2020. The MFRC communications are electronically distributed as they are received.

Annual Police/Peace Officers Memorial Service:

Mike O'Neil advised this years' service will be on September 29th. @ 2:00 PM at the Park Royal United Church. Rev. Kevin Mackenzie and Rev. Judy Parsons will be attending. To date 28 of our members have indicated they will attend. Contributions for funding have been received from three of our police partners, there are three still outstanding. To date the Memorial Service fund has a surplus balance of over \$2,000.00.

Nomination for Associate Membership:

Lew Robinson had previously sent correspondence to the President and later to the membership to propose Ret. Insp. Robert Harris from the Atlantic Police Academy for consideration for Associate Membership into the RCMP Veterans Association. Ernie MacAulay representing the Membership Committee, did his due diligence and found Insp. Harris to be of good character and a suitable candidate for membership. All related correspondence had previously been disseminated to the "L" Division Association Membership. Lew Robinson gave a verbal introduction to Bob Harris, outlining his policing career and his close affinity for the Force. Lew read two citation for Bob written by Insp. MacLauchlan and an email recommendation from retired Insp. Tim Jay. Ernie MacAulay outlined his due diligence and his findings along with his recommendation. Lorne MacKinnon and Phil Pitts spoke in favour of Bob's application. The motion made by Lew Robinson was seconded by Lorne MacKinnon and all present voted in favour.

Royce Greene moved adjournment. Meeting adjourned.

Adjournment to Next Regular Meeting (November 19th, 2019)