



The Royal Canadian Legion

Branch #191 Chemainus

MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING

Oct 28, 2018

Meeting called to order @ 1400 hrs

EXECUTIVE PRESENT: Len Lavender, Gil Newton, Janet Mitchell, Wes Everitt, Mike Beggs, Colin Murphy, Ellen Lavender, Peter Brady, Darlene Beggs, Rob Graham. (Absent: Diane Murphy)

Number in Attendance (including Executive): 20 + 1

Draping of the Charter: Comrade George Smart, Comrade John Saqui and Maj Gen (ret'd) Herbert Pitts.

Presentation: Laura McIntyre North Cowichan Outreach Breakfast Program – receiving 1500.00 donation

Minutes of Previous General Meeting reviewed. Being there were no errors or omissions it was moved by Dan Remery and seconded by Dave Munro to accept the minutes of the previous meeting. **CARRIED**

Minutes of previous Executive Meetings were circulated.

Correspondence presented by: Colin Murphy

BC Yukon Memo #47.18 – Half-Mast Canadian Flag for Major General (ret'd) Herb Pitts, MC, CD
BC Yukon Memo #48.18 – 2018 Property Tax Information – Deadline by Friday, October 19th, 2018
BC Yukon Memo #49.18 – Update on Half-Mast Canadian Flag for Major General (ret'd) Herb Pitts, MC, CD
BC Yukon Memo #50.18 – Trusteeship of BC/Yukon Command
BC Yukon Memo #51.18 – Legion National Track and Field Championships – Brandon, Manitoba - 2018
BC Yukon Memo #52.18 – Legalization of Cannabis
BC Yukon Memo #53.18 – Presentation of First Poppy
BC Yukon Memo #54.18 – Poppy Tagging and Corporate Sponsorships
**These are all posted in the Legion Lounge

Thank you cards and letters - none

Motion to accept correspondence moved by Colin Murphy and seconded by Mike Beggs.

CARRIED

Branch Financials presented by: Janet Mitchell

Motion to accept Branch financials was moved by Janet Mitchell and seconded by Dave Munro.

CARRIED

Bingo and Meat Draw report presented by: Janet Mitchell

Reconciled **Bingo** Bank balance as of **30 Sep 18** was **8,780.62**. The branch has given out 7,809.75 in donations from Bingo. Meat Draw Bank balance as of **30 Sep 18** was **8,108.50**. The branch has given 7,179.10 in donations from here. Complete statements are available.

A motion was made by Janet Mitchell and seconded by Dan Remery to accept this report as presented.

CARRIED

Donations presented by Janet Mitchell: No donations at present.

Halloween Party - \$600.00 from Meat Draw

Cowichan Pipers and Drummers Society - \$1500.00 from Bingo

BC Wildfires - SUE - \$1500.00 from Poppy- **DENIED**

Motion to accept donations by Janet Mitchell and seconded by Ellen Lavender.

CARRIED

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Membership presented by Darlene Beggs

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- Trish Marie Topley - Associate
- George Dupras - Affiliate Transfer In

A motion was made by Darlene Beggs to accept these applications for membership in the Branch, seconded by Wes Everitt.

CARRIED

PRO presented by: Colin Murphy – Nil Report

Ways and Means presented by Ellen Lavender: We are getting ready for Veterans Dinner 3 Nov.

Sick & Visiting presented by: Nil

Youth & Sports presented by Rob Graham: Will be decorating Hall after meeting for Halloween Party.

Service Officer presented by: Mike reported there were still 2 scooters in the bunker available. Wheel chair from the late George Smart to go to the Health Care Centre.

Poppy presented by Janet Mitchell: Poppy Campaign ongoing now. Still requirement for more taggers. Janet explained that widow/widowers of vets and their caregivers are now entitled to participate at Veteran's Dinner the same as the veterans. Programs are being made up for the Remembrance Day Service.

Bar presented by Peter Brady: Peter reported we will be hosting a Rib Night and Karaoke on 24 Nov.

Carol will be looking to take 3 months off in the summer so she is looking for potential replacements if anyone knows of any. A keg of beer has been donated by Pacific Western Brewing for Remembrance Day. Peter briefly explained the "Find the Joker" initiative that we will be starting 1 Dec 18 in the Lounge.

House presented by Gil Newton: Gil reported some general maintenance has been ongoing. The water service has now been restored to normal as the work is complete outside.

Zone Report presented by Wes Everitt: Next Zone Mtg will be at Britannia Legion #7 04 Nov 18 – Mike Beggs will attend.

Honours and Awards presented by Wes Everitt: Nil Report

Sgt-at-Arms presented by Wes Everitt: 1st of the Remembrance Day visits will commence with Health Care Centre. 108 crosses are out in the cemetery on veteran's sites and Wes thanked Gil, Dorothy, Gordon and Dave for their efforts.

A motion was made by Mike Beggs and seconded by Nora Fisher to accept the committee reports.

CARRIED

OLD BUSINESS

BC Yukon Memo #52.18 – Legalization of Cannabis – in correspondence - simple policy – read it!

NEW BUSINESS

Tour de Rock Breakfast – Great success 64 breakfast tickets as well as profit raised by Ursel Brown (thank-you) resulted in the Legion donating \$1900.00 to Cops for Cancer (to support kids attending Camp Good Times). Fifteen volunteers stepped up to make this happen. Thank you to all.

Gaming Proceeds after Net – John Pimlott brought up the question of approaching BC gaming about increasing the 15% proceeds that come back to the Legion. Janet explained how that procedure would have to be done and Dave Munro offered some insight into back practices and outcomes. The decision was to revisit this after the Gaming Report schedule for early in the year comes out.

There being no further business a motion to adjourn was made by Gil Newton and seconded by Dave Munro.

Meeting adjourned @ 1435 hrs.

//Original signed by//

Colin Murphy, Recording Secretary

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Len Lavender, President