



The Royal Canadian Legion

Branch #191 Chemainus

MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE MEETING

Nov 22, 2018

Meeting called to order @ 1700 hrs

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

Minutes of Previous Executive Meeting reviewed. Being there were no errors or omissions it was moved by Wes Everitt and seconded by Janet Mitchell to accept the minutes of the previous meeting. **CARRIED**

Minutes of previous General Meeting were circulated.

Correspondence presented by: Colin Murphy

**These are all posted in the Legion Lounge

BC Yukon Memo #55.18 - Music for Commemorative Ceremonies - Remembrance Day 2018

BC Yukon Memo #56.18 - 2019 Sports

BC Yukon Memo #57.18 - Poppy Tagging at Corporate Partners REMINDER

BC Yukon Memo #58.18 -Media coverage of Poppy season

BC Yukon Memo #59.18 - Branch Elections

BC Yukon Memo #60.18 - Command Service Officer Cliff Rose

BC Yukon Memo #61.18 - Message from the Prime Minister

BC Yukon Memo #62.18 - Branch Expenditures over \$5,000 – By-Law Requirements

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Letters: Thank you cards and letters:

Thank you card from Jimmy John Palou, giving thanks for the Veteran's basket

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

Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting 20 Nov 18 – for information

Branch Financials presented by: Janet Mitchell

Motion to accept Branch financials was moved by Janet Mitchell and seconded by Wes Everitt. **CARRIED**

Bingo and Meat Draw report presented by: Janet Mitchell

Reconciled **Bingo** Bank balance as of **31 Oct 18** was **7,433.69**. The branch has given out 10,809.75 in donations from Bingo. Meat Draw Bank balance as of **31 Oct 18** was **10,513.18**. The branch has given 6,279.10 in donations from here. Complete statements are available.

A motion was made by Janet Mitchell and seconded by Gil Newton to accept this report as presented. **CARRIED**

Donations presented by Janet Mitchell

Remembrance Day SUE- \$1625.00 from Poppy motioned by Janet- and Seconded by Mike Beggs. **CARRIED**

Fuller Lake Skating Club - \$1000.00 from Bingo

Little Town Christmas - \$1000.00 from Bingo

Chemainus Crofton Community Schools' Association - \$2200.00 from Meat Draw
Neighbourhood House Christmas Hamper - \$1500.00 from Meat Draw
Harvest House Food Bank - \$1500.00 from Meat Draw
Harvest House Christmas Hamper - \$1000.00 from Bingo
Cowichan Valley Highland Dance Association - \$500.00 from Meat Draw
Cowichan Neighbourhood House Youth Program - \$1200.00 from Meat Draw
Motion presented by Janet Mitchell to approve these donations seconded by Gil Newton

CARRIED

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Membership presented by Mike Beggs for Darlene

The following new and transferring applicants are presented for membership to the Branch:

- Brian Simpson - Ordinary Transfer In
- Norman Thompson - Ordinary
- Robert Johns - Associate
- Douglas Campbell - Associate
- Richard Sherwood - Associate
- Heather Andrews - Associate
- Geoffery Backman - Ordinary
- Kelly Heslop - Ordinary
- Doris Hyde - Affiliate

A motion was made by Mike Beggs to accept these applications for approval at next General Meeting, seconded by Wes Everitt.

CARRIED

PRO presented by: Nil report.

Sick & Visiting presented by Colin for Diane Murphy: 18 Baskets were delivered to Veterans

Youth & Sports presented by Janet Mitchell for Rob Graham: Janet gave a report on the Halloween Party and residual cash around 70.00 dollars to be returned to donation account. (Statement attached)

Service Officer presented by: NIL

Poppy presented by Janet Mitchell: Remembrance Day was another success, good comments out in the community. The Poster and Literary is now getting started. Final figures not yet in for Poppy campaign, but sitting at **15,875.00** currently and there are still some more to be added. Peter made the suggestion that we get the advertising up at the Mill for the Poppy Drive as a lot of people did not know it was happening.

Bar presented by Peter Brady: Remembrance Day was a success in the Legion. Peter stated there is a requirement to look into purchasing more wine glasses. We have sold tickets for this weekend number in the 50's now and anticipating a few more. Should have some leftover food on Sunday we can use for the Grey Cup Game after the meeting.

House presented by Gil Newton: Gil has started taking down the chimney with help from Keith Palou, Doug Simmonds and Howard Ballard. No more work will be done in the kitchen until after March. Emergency Lights upstairs will be done next week.

Zone Report presented by Wes Everitt: Next Zone Mtg – Feb and Zone Elections. Mike reported on the closure of Britannia Branch next year. Mike reported that it was strongly suggested we use guidelines from BC Yukon Circular 59.18 to adjust our bylaws to lift some of our restrictions on elections.

Honours and Awards presented by Wes Everitt: New Service Recognition Book is here.

Sgt-at-Arms presented by Wes Everitt: Colour Party has participated in 8 parades/ceremonies. RCMP joined us for Parade this year.

Ways and Means presented by Ellen Lavender: Ellen reported the following events:

Nov 3 – Vets Dinner in hall 65 vets and spouse/caregivers as well as 12 guests and 9 volunteers,

Nov 11 – After the Celebration at Cenotaph the Hall was full for the soup and buns, as well as the Camaraderie. The entertainment was enjoyed as much as the soup.

Nov 17 – We catered to a Celebration of Life for 70 people.

Nov 24 – The Hall is rented for a Birthday Party, no catering required.

Dec 1 – Christmas Craft and Bake Sale

Dec 2 – Celebration of Life

The Hall is rented for Little Town Christmas Dec 8 and a company Christmas Party Dec 16, no catering required.

A motion was made by Colin Murphy and seconded by Ellen Lavender to accept the committee reports. **CARRIED**

OLD BUSINESS

New Year's Eve – We will be having our Easter Time Zone New Year's Party from 6pm – 9pm. Colin and Diane will be organizing and may require some assistance.

NEW BUSINESS

Staff Bonuses – 5 X \$50.00 – Motioned by Janet and seconded by Ellen Lavender to approve bonuses. **CARRIED**

Volunteer Appreciation – December 13, 2018 at 1800 hrs (6:00 pm) – Len was proposing an appreciation night for the volunteers as we haven't had on for a while. After some discussion it was decided to go with the above mentioned date.

Lounge hours over the holidays – Closed 24-25-26 Dec and Jan 1. The Lounge will be opened New Year's Eve (Monday 31 Dec from 4pm) for New Year's Eve Party, a nominal fee will apply.

Proposed BYLAW Amendments – Peter Brady would like to make a proposal to the membership to make some amendments to our bylaws in order to remove some of the tight restrictions that hinders us at Election time. There should be two motions forthcoming, wording to be finalized on Sunday. **(AI)**

December Meeting – There will be a motion to cancel December's General Meeting **(AI)**

Robbie Burns Dinner – Wes inquired about hosting this dinner again this year. After some discussion it was decided we should go ahead for 19 Jan. Wes will get things started by finding the entertainment.

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

Meeting adjourned @ 1800 hrs.

//Original Signed By//

Colin Murphy, Recording Secretary

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Len Lavender, President

Attachment: **Statement 2018 Halloween Costume Contest/Party**

2018 COMMUNITY HALLOWEEN COSTUME CONTEST

OCTOBER. 31, 2018

DONATION FROM MEAT DRAW FUNDS **600.00**

CASH PRIZES AWARDED 375.00

EXPENSES

49th Parallel - hot dogs 49.49

Superstore - supplies 7.10

Walmart-gift bags 44.13

Dollar Store - gift bags 46.49

Dollarama - gift bags 40.14

Walmart -refreshments 19.26

206.60

CASH OVER 18.40

DONATIONS BY PEOPLE ATTENDING 53.50

71.90

CASH ON HAND

2 X 20 40.00

1 X 10 10.00

3 X 5 15.00

2 X T 4.00

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3 X .25 0.75

1 X .10 0.10

1 X .05 0.05

71.90