



**The Royal Canadian Legion**  
Branch #191 Chemainus

**GENERAL MEETING MINUTES**  
**April 24, 2022**

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER @ 14:00hrs - Legion Hall**

**EXECUTIVE MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mike Beggs: President, Colin Murphy: 1st Vice President, Gil Newton: 2nd Vice President, Janet Mitchell: Treasurer, Recording Secretary: Bill McKinney, Past President: Wes Everitt, Dave Munro: Director.

**ABSENT:** Diane Murphy

**IN ATTENDANCE:** 18 (Including Executive)

Draping of the Charter - Greg Myers

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS GENERAL MEETING - March 27, 2022** To be circulated to members

**Motion to accept** Moved by Wes Everitt Seconded by Gil Newton

**CARRIED**

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS EXECUTIVE MEETING** April 21, 2022 (Circulated for information only)

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Presented by Bill McKinney

**BC YUKON CIRCULARS:**

BC Yukon Memo #10.22 - General Membership Meetings & Branch Events

BC Yukon Memo #11.22 - 2021 Youth Remembrance Contest Winners

BC Yukon Memo #12.22 - Convention Resolutions

BC Yukon Memo #13.22 - Service Dogs Program

BC Yukon Memo #14.22 - Dominion Command email address collection - Canada Direct

BC Yukon Memo #15.22 - 2022 BC/Yukon Command Convention Update #1

BC Yukon Memo #16.22 - 2022 Provincial Sports Championship Tournaments with attached registration forms and letters of commitment

BC Yukon Memo #17.22 - 2022 Provincial Sports Championship Tournaments

BC Yukon Memo #18.22 - Convention Update #2

**OTHER CORRESPONDENCE:**

Email -

Last Post - Comrade Greg Myers

New Horizons for Seniors Program - Western Canada and Territories

Cards and Letters

Letter from Valour Canada - \$500 donation request

Letter from ALS Society BC - \$100 donation request

**Motion to Accept** Correspondence by Bill McKinney Seconded by Henry Werther

**CARRIED**

**BRANCH FINANCIAL REPORT** Presented by Janet Mitchell

**Motion to Accept** Financial Report by Janet Mitchell Seconded by Colin Murphy

**CARRIED**

**BINGO and MEAT DRAW** Presented by Janet Mitchell

**Motion to Accept** by Janet Mitchell Seconded by Darlene Beggs

**CARRIED**

**DONATIONS** Presented by Janet Mitchell

No report

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**HOUSE** Presented by Gil Newton

General maintenance

**BAR** Presented by Colin Murphy

The bar continues to lose money

Volunteer bartenders are needed

Reducing stock

**POPPY FUND**

No report

**HONOURS & AWARDS** Presented by Wes Everitt

No report

**MEMBERSHIP** Presented by Colin Murphy

New Members:

- Frank Everitt Associate
- Katrin Everitt Associate

**Motion to Accept** by Colin Murphy Seconded by Dan Remery

**CARRIED**

**PRO** Presented by Colin Murphy

No report

**SERVICE OFFICER** Presented by Mike Beggs

Assisted a widower with form completion on Survivor Benefits

**SGT. AT ARMS**

Still searching for candidate for this position

**SICK & VISITING** Presented by Colin Murphy

No report

**YOUTH & SPORTS** Presented by Phil Fewer

Darts competition in Langford May 7/8. Cranbrook May 21/22.

**WAYS & MEANS** Presented by Colin Murphy

Celebration of Life

**NOMINATIONS** Presented by Greg Chisholm  
7 out of the 12 positions have viable candidates

**PRESIDENT** Presented by Mike Beggs  
Advised that we are still needing members to step forward for Board positions  
By-Law changes will be covered under New Business

**ZONE** Presented by Wes Everitt  
The Zone Meeting will be held May 11, 2022 at Branch #134 Malahat at 11:00 hrs

**Motion to accept** Committee Reports Moved by Dan Remy Seconded by Gil Newton **CARRIED**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Dinner/Dance April 16, 2022

Janitorial - Still looking for a replacement. Advertisements have been extensively circulated.

New Door - has been installed. Telus alarm system in on April 25, 2022

We've learned that the Afghanistan Veteran who lost the family's home to a devastating fire could learn soon if all their debts would be paid off. The veteran's wife called to thank the Chemainus Legion for the kind donation of \$700.00.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Celebration of Life for Linda Odano - April 16, 2022

As of May 1, 2022 Summer Dress is in effect

By-Law Amendments proposing changes to Branch By-Laws 614, 617, 622 And 636c

See below for Notice of Motion presented by President Mike Beggs

**NEXT GENERAL MEETING:** May 29, 2022

**NEXT EXECUTIVE MEETING:** May 26, 2022

**ADJOURNMENT:** 14:30 hrs

President Mike Beggs

Recording Secretary Bill McKinney

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**The following NOTICE OF MOTION to change our By-Laws** was presented to the members by President Mike Beggs. This will be voted on at our next meeting.

### **Chemainus Branch #191 By-Laws**

#### **By-Law 614**

No member shall be eligible to be elected 1st vice president or 2nd vice president unless he has served one (1) year on the branch executive within the three (3) years immediately preceding year.

#### **Amended by law:**

No member shall be eligible to be elected vice president unless he has served one (1) year on the branch executive within the three (3) years immediately preceding the elective year.

#### **CHANGES:**

1st vice president or 2nd vice president - deleted the elective - inserted  
Vice President - inserted

#### **By-Law 617**

The following officers and executive members shall be elected annually at the General Meeting in the month of May, taking office July 1st in the following consecutive order:

- a. A President
- A first Vice President
- A second Vice President
- A Recording Secretary
- A Treasurer (who by virtue of his office shall be Chairman of the Finance Committee)
- 6 Executive members will be elected for one (1) year

#### **Amended By-Law**

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- a. A President
- A Vice President
- A Recording Secretary
- A Treasurer (who by virtue of his office shall be Chairman of the Finance Committee)
- 6 Executive members will be elected for one (1) year

#### **CHANGES:**

1st Vice President - deleted 2nd Vice President - deleted Vice President - inserted

#### **By-Law 622**

If a vacancy occurs in the office of president or vice-president, the vice presidents will move up in accordance with their seniority of office. The lowest ranking vice-presidency position shall be filled by nomination and election at the next general meeting following the occurrence of the vacancy.

#### **Amended By-Law**

If a vacancy occurs in the office of president the vice president will move up in accordance with their seniority of office. The vice-presidency position shall be filled by nomination and election at the next general meeting following the occurrence of the vacancy.

#### **CHANGES:**

the vice presidents – deleted the vice president - inserted

**By-Law 636c**

The Treasurer together with the President, providing however, that in the absence or disability of either of these regular signatories, the 1st Vice President shall sign in place of either, and in the absence or disability of both regular signatories, the 1st Vice President shall sign together with the 2nd Vice President.

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**CHANGES:**

1st Vice President – deleted 2nd Vice President - deleted

the Vice President - inserted

the Recording Secretary – inserted