



VETERANS' ASSOCIATION

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New Brunswick Division

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**MINUTES OF FALL MEETING
FREDERICTON, OCTOBER 20, 2018**

Prior to the start of the meeting, Mr. Bob Keays from Higgins Insurance, sponsor of the RCMP Centennial Scholarship Program spoke to the membership. Mr. Keays is very proud of his association with the RCMP and RCMP Veterans. He stated that Higgins Insurance is proud to sponsor the scholarships for the children of the members both active and retired. President King thanked Mr. Keays and Higgins Insurance for their support of the scholarship program. Higgins Insurance has provided \$5,000 in scholarships each year for the past 6 years for which we are very grateful. For information on insurance products and rates offered by Higgins Insurance, please call 1-866-273-2911 or visit their website at www.higginsinsurance.ca. Higgins Insurance offers special discounts to members of the RCMP Veterans' Association.

Cornelius Brown, a member of the RCMP Centennial Scholarship Committee, was in attendance and supervised the draw for five (5) scholarships in the amount of \$1,000 each. The winners were as follows:

- In honour of– Luc Bolduc – Kelsey Roy, sponsored by Denis Roy
- In honour of– Jeff Cosgrove – Benjamin Carson, sponsored by Edwin Brinton
- In honour of– Bob Gallup – Declan Buckle, sponsored by Brigitte Buckle
- In honour of– Angela Gevaudan – Vincent David Bertrand, sponsored by Philippe Bertrand
- In honour of– Tim Quigley – Celine Godbout, sponsored by Yannick Godbout

Congratulations to all. Three alternate names were also drawn in the event one or more of the above recipients withdraws from the program.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Reg King at 2:13 PM. President King welcomed everyone to the meeting. 41 Veterans attending, self-introduce themselves.

O CANADA

The singing of O Canada was led by Vet. Tim Hoban.

LAST POST

A moment of silence was observed for deceased members. In particular, the following who have passed away since our last meeting:

- John Wride
- Dino Gatto
- Robert Sturgeon
- Lawson Grant Myra
- Cst. Sara Burns Fredericton PF
- Cst. Robb Costello Fredericton PF

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

- S.M. Gilles Cote
- S/Sgt. Stephane Desrochers
- Insp. Rick Votour
- Insp. Stanley McNeil
- Cst. Jim Richards (Associate)

Motion by Jim Payne that the application for the new members be approved, second by Tim Hoban. Motion **CARRIED.**

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

Tim Hoban moved, seconded by Wayne Hill that the minutes of the spring meeting held in Miramichi Royal Canadian Legion (Chatham) on May 26, 2018 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE

- A thank-you card received from the Alzheimer Society of New Brunswick, Dear Friends, Thank you very much for your generous donation to the Alzheimer Society of New Brunswick. Your contribution will provide help and hope to those affected by Alzheimers and related dementia in New Brunswick. Thank you, The Alzheimer Society of New Brunswick.
- President Reginald King reached out to Reverend Wally Collett and learned he does not plan to attend for health reasons. The President has extended a heartfelt thank you from the Veterans and noted that with regret the Executive received notification and understandably accepted his resignation. Wally was very pleased to receive our call and expressed that he may reach out to Tim Hoban for advice if Medicare does not cover the Toronto treatments. Wally wished us all a wonderful Thanksgiving and expressed sorrow that he would not be able to join us at the Fall meeting.
- Vet Dan MacNeil mention of new member, reverent (Coombs) from L Division could be contacted and Jim Payne volunteer to reach out to him to see if he is interested.
- A thank-you letter from Vet. John Ryan grandson Zachary Okoh, Re: Bursary Award, Ladies and gentlemen. I am writing to extend my sincere appreciation for granting me the RCMP Veterans Award for \$500. These funds will help offset the cost of my tuition at NSCC, Akerley Campus in the 2 year welding program I am starting in the fall. I just recently graduated from Halifax West, O2 program. The O2 program provided me with the opportunity to give back to the community through 400 hours of co-op placement hours, complete a Lifework portfolio, complete Workplace Health and Safety courses and Career Development courses.

I am eager to take the next step in my education and building my career in Halifax, where I have lived all my life. Welding is a needed, valued and regarding trade where I know I can stay right here in my own community. I chose to go into the field of welding because I've always been fascinated with that trade after studying all of the different trades through the O2 program. I believe my hands on skills would thrive in this trade. My goal is to work at the Irving Shipyard. At the Irving Shipyard they're building ships that are for the Navy to help protect our Canadian waters. Therefore, I will be contributing to helping the seaman and I take great pride in that. Another bonus is I will also be able to help out in any other projects around Halifax where my skills are needed. Giving back to my home and community has always been a dream of mine.

Please know that I will succeed in graduating from the NSCC as a Welder and your funds will have been put to good use. Thank you again for your support and contribution to my education and career. Sincerely Zachary Okoh.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Claude Beauregard read the auditor's report prepared by Brenda Vaughn for the audit from August 01, 2017 -July 31, 2018. He also presented the Statement of Financial Position, the Income Statement and proposed 2019 budget. Reg King made a motion, seconded by Greg Deslauriers that these reports be accepted. **CARRIED.** Claude Beauregard explained his reports as follows:

General:

- We had 279 active members and 1 Life Members in 2018
- Of the 279 active members, 12 has not paid dues
- At this date on 279 active members, 12 members have not paid their dues representing 2%
- Since the beginning of January 2018, we have 16 new members
- Our Division has paid the National office dues for 1 member for compassionate reasons
- In 2018 a total of 241 members had paid their dues before January 1, it's a increase of 164 members more than in 2017 (Very Good)
- Is representing 12050.00\$ before the first of January, its an increase of 56 % compared to 2017 for the same period of time
- At this date 126 members used interac transfert between January 1 2018 to September 30 2018
- After the executive meeting on September 28 2018 ,the executive decide for now not go with the pilot project(**PILOT PHASE OF MEMBERS RENEWING THEIR 2019 DUES THROUGHT E-COMMERCE ON THE WEBSITE**) THIS WEB site is from Ottawa
- We will clarify with the members at the fall meeting to make a good decision about this PROJECT
- At the executive meeting we decide to stay at the payment for the members dues for year 2019 (**50.00\$**)
- The winner for the draft 2018 was Pierre Lemonde and the draft happened at the spring meeting

Income statement:

- As of September 30 2018, our division has collected 14,150.00\$ in revenue from the member dues.
- 8880.00\$ has been paid to the National Association representing 240 members @ 37.00\$ on April 29 2018, On the June 11 2018 we paid 1443.00\$ representing 39 more members @37.00\$ for a total of **10323.00\$** to the National Association
- The revenue does not include 6000.00\$ related to the Grave Inspection program and 5000.00\$ in Centennial Scholarship that we will receive in 2018

- This statement do not include the expense such as the cost of the grave inspections, dues owed to the national office during the reconciliation process, centennial scholarship expenses, honoraria, Christmas gift cards and miscellaneous expenses for operations (ex printer cartridge stamp envelope etc).

Statement of financial position:

- As of September 29 2018, our bank balance is 12465.82 \$ including the RCMP Veterans bursaries of 500.00\$ paid to the 5 winners. They were:
 - MacNeil, Kristy Ann
 - Fleming, Claire Mackensie
 - Okoh, Zachary Leon
 - Neuffer, Alexander David
 - Williams, Emilie Anna Maria
- Our current investments include a GIC of 15,332\$ that will mature in 2019
- Our current capital assets is 2020.00\$
- Our total current and long-term assets total 29,588\$
- The \$620 in accounts payable that was carried from 2017 was attributed to the payment of the RCMP Veterans bursaries

Proposed budget:

CONCLUSION

- Our division for the year 2019 we extraordinary expense like the new website we will have to deal with one day in 2019 and also the way that we do a meeting for all member we have to be equal or more money that they cost to the association.
- **Incentive to pay dues before January 1st -**
Raffle to motive members to pay before January 1st. to continue and will be drawn at the spring meeting 2019.
- Our current investments include a GIC of 15,332\$ that will mature in 2019 to be discuss at the next meeting.

President Reg King motion for the 2019 budget be accepted and second by Vet Greg Deslauriers.
CARRIED.

GRAVE SITE INSPECTION REPORT

The Grave Site Program Coordinator, Danny McNeill, read his report as follows. He advised there are 30 Inspectors that visited 399 sites this year. The total expenses claimed by the 30 Inspectors to complete the inspections was \$2,204.10. A report was forwarded to the Treasurer, Claude Beaugard, with details of the individual expenses. The Force's contract with the Association is \$6,000.00 a year.

“Grave site inspector K. Wayne JOHNSTON reported on the grave site of James Patrick RYAN, SAW (South African War), WW1 (World War 1), Cst. NWMP Regimental #4112. A new upright marker complete with a base, has been installed, replacing an old flat in ground foot marker. The old marker has been discarded. The new headstone was installed by The Commonwealth War Graves Commission.” See photo attached.

We are very fortunate to have such a dedicated group of men and women carrying out the inspections. They always do a terrific job and look after minor problems that arise themselves. The Inspectors take pride in the program especially in the fact that we check out every known site. Once this report is accepted at the Fall Meeting, I will then submit an invoice to the CO of “J” Division along with a summary of this report.

Moved by Danny McNeill, seconded by Lorn House that the report be accepted. **CARRIED.** The Association thanks Danny and the Inspectors for their hard work and dedication.

RCMP Veterans' Association Grave Site Inspection Program

The following is a list of the New Brunswick Division RCMP Veterans' Association Grave Site Inspection Program team members for 2018. If anyone has any questions about grave sites, please contact either Danny McNeill or the Inspector in the area where the grave is located. You can find the contact information for the Inspectors by signing into the Data Base (rcmpvet.ca) where you will find the Nominal Roll of members in the New Brunswick Division of the RCMP Veterans' Association.

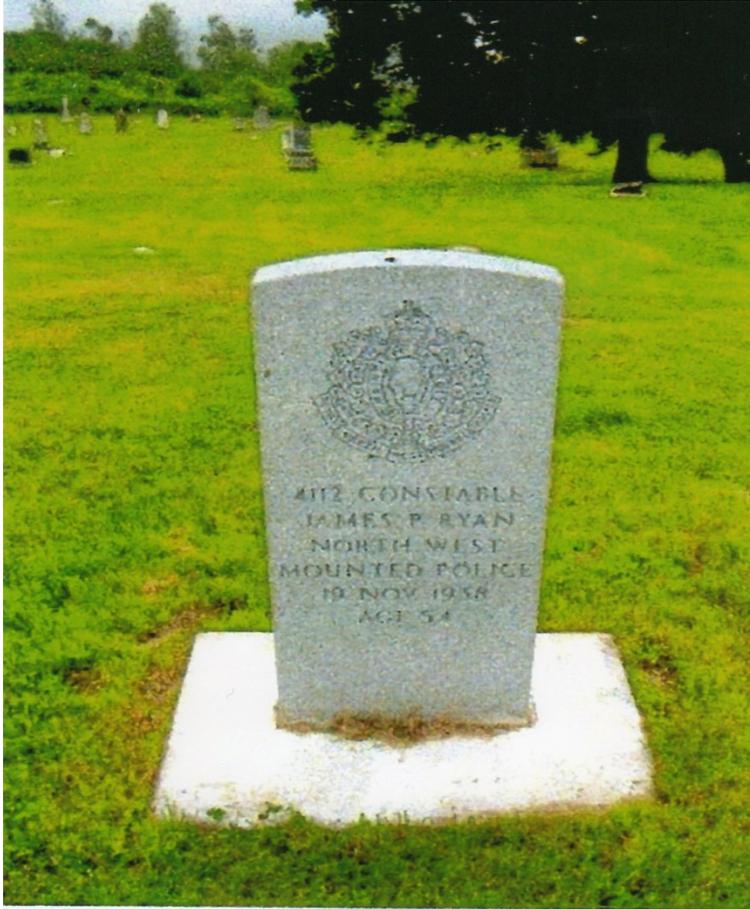
NAME RESIDENCE NUMBER OF SITES INSPECTED:

1. Rick BOHUS - Moncton 47
2. Brenda BOUCK - Riverview 5
3. Ray BRENNAN - St. Andrews 28
4. Barry CAMPBELL - Lower Newcastle 20
5. Wayne CARROLL - Nasonworth 2
6. Peter CLAY - Hainesville 1
7. René COULPIER - Saint John 5
8. Joe CYR - Edmundston 5
9. Roger D'ENTREMONT - Bathurst 26

10. Greg DESLAURIERS - Bouctouche 26
 11. Jim EDMONDS - Sackville 6
 12. Ed FARRELL - Petitcodiac/Elgin 5
 13. Fred FEARON - Sussex 15
 14. Gordon FRASER - Grand-Barachois 1
 15. Ed GILL - Oromocto 6
 16. Ed GRAY - Fredericton 11
 17. Wilf HISCOCK - Gagetown 2
 18. Wayne JOHNSTON - Rothesay 54
 19. Paul KAYE - Scotchtown 3
 20. Ron LATOUR - Grand Falls 8
 21. Mitch MACMILLAN - Williamstown 2
 22. Danny MCNEILL - Fredericton 59
 23. Chris MEW - Hampton 3
 24. Jerry MOFFITT - McAdam 7
 25. Len O'HALLORAN - Wakefield 12
 26. Rinie PLOMP - Geary 15
 27. Bob ROCHON - Hillsborough 1
 28. Roy RUSHTON - Tide Head 8
 29. Rod SMITH - Ste-Anne-De-Madawaska 3
 30. Kevin STORR - New Maryland 13 __
- TOTAL: 399

GRAVE SITE INSPECTORS' EXPENSES FOR 2018:

1. Rick BOHUS #31065 Deduct 2019 dues cheque to Rick \$ 165.00
 2. Ray BRENNAN #32164 Deduct 2019 dues cheque to Ray \$ 96.00
 3. Barry CAMPBELL #25577 Deduct 2019 dues
 4. Joe CYR #27394 cheque to Joe \$ 110.50
 5. R.D'ENTREMONT #22218 Deduct 2019 dues cheque to Roger \$ 474.50
 6. G. DESLAURIERS #19715 Deduct 2019 dues cheque to Greg \$ 130.80
 7. Ed GILL #18544 Deduct 2019 dues cheque to Ed \$ 24.10
 8. W. JOHNSTON #23793 Deduct 2019 dues cheque to Wayne \$ 297.20
 9. Ron LATOUR #27658 Deduct 2019 dues cheque to Ron \$ 97.00
 10. Len O'HALLORAN #19310 (Life Member) cheque to Len \$ 284.00
 11. Rinie PLOMP #28324 Deduct 2019 dues
 12. Roy RUSHTON #16878 (Life Member) cheque to Roy \$ 75.00
- Total cheques = \$1754.10
DUES: 9 members X \$50.00 = \$ 450.00
GRAND TOTAL EXPENSES = \$2204.10



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MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Membership Director, Laurie MacNeil read his report. The following new members were approved since the spring meeting. C/Supt. Roland Wells transferred to Newfoundland and C/Supt. Al Rivard transferred in. There were a couple of members who passed.

Laurie MacNeil approached at least 10 recently retired members to join but many stated that they were not ready. All Vets should be involved in the recruiting of new members and wishes the new Membership Director well in his/hes new duties.

S.M. Gilles Cote S/Sgt. Stephane Desrochers Insp. Rick Votour	Insp. Stanley McNeil Cst. Jim Richards (Associate)
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Lorn House to replace Laurie MacNeil as the Membership Director.
 Laurie MacNeil moved, seconded by Barry Campbell that the report be accepted. **CARRIED.**

NB VETERANS' BURSARY PROGRAM REPORT

Dale Lively, Chairperson of the bursary program advised that a total of five (5) bursaries were drawn for. Five (5) were the annual bursaries given out by the Association. "The RCMP Veterans Bursary draw was held on Sunday August 19th, 2018. The sponsors for the applicants are all members in good standing of the NB RCMP Veterans Association. The winners have been notified and arrangements will be made with the Treasurer to have the cheques presented. The Association thanks Dale and his committee made up of Ray Brennan and Rita Lively for administering the program.

The following is a list of the winners of the NB Vets Bursaries for 2018 and their sponsors. Congratulations to all.

RECIPIENT	SPONSOR
1. MacNEIL, Kristy Ann	daughter of Laurie MacNeil
2. FLEMING, Claire MacKenzie	daughter of Mark Fleming
3. OKOH, Zachary Leon	Grandchild of John Ryan
4. NEUFFER, Alexander David	Grandchild of Greg Cohoon
5. WILLIAMS, Emelie Anna Maria	daughter of Brenda G. Bouck

NOTE: The NB Veterans' Association has a Bursary Memorial Fund. If anyone wishes to make a donation to this fund, you may do so by sending a cheque or e-transfer to the Treasurer.

Reg King moved, seconded by Carl Greg that the report be accepted. **CARRIED.**

Governor Dale Lively, would ask the executive to accept his resignation as Chairperson of the Bursary Committee. Should the committee continue into 2019 he would ask a new Chairperson be appointed. Nobody to replace Dale position at this time. New Elected president Jim Payne indicated that further discussion to take place in the near future in finding a nominee for replacement.

BENEVOLENT – nobody in the position. NIL

SUPPORT AND ADVOCACY

Jim Payne spoke on behalf of Vet Rollie MacNeil to invite members and spouses, wishing to attend the Support and Advocacy Program workshops in Nova Scotia. The workshop to take place in Amherst on November 2, 2018. The cost of the workshop is \$20 per person to cover the cost of coffee and snack. Please contact Rollie MacNeil if you wish to attend as the organizer needs to know the number beforehand.

Tim Hoban indicated of two request for assistance were received for support for their will.

Greg Deslauriers moved, seconded by Danny MacNeill that the report be accepted. **CARRIED.**

OLD BUSINESS – NIL

NEW BUSINESS

Challenge coin:

Jim Payne suggested challenge coin as possible gifts the association could acquire. This could serve as an ideal gift of appreciation to guest speakers, members of the Association and others. Reg King propose having a policy to be develop regarding the distribution of the coin if the motion is to be accepted. Motion by Wayne Hill to purchase 50 coin and second by Barry Campbell. **CARRIED.**

Website:

Jim Payne presented Bob Rochon report on his research on the integrating our website with the National Office, and the cost of bringing our website up to date. If the propose integration pass Bob Rochon indicated his willingness to act as the coordinator, providing the association goes with the Gambit IT Solution as one of three solution. It was also discuss following the executive meeting that if the motion is pass, the President would appoint Bob as a Director for the Website coordinator.

Motion by Lorn House and second by Claude Beauregard, that Bob Rochon is given the go-ahead to go with Gambit IT Solution to bring the website up to date at the cost of \$2000.

CARRIED.

President Reg King appointed Bob Rochon as the Director for the website.

Suggestions Budget 2018-19

- A. Ottawa web site to be considered for our Division! Cost \$2,000.00
- B. NB Division coins for presentations, etc.! Cost \$1,000.

Total cost for these two items \$3,000. The budget for our President to attend the upcoming AGM is \$3,000. Suggestion is we utilize this budgeted amount for the above A and B, with our President not attending the upcoming AGM.

GENERATIONAL AND TERRITORIAL INSIGNIA PRESENTATION: NIL

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ASSOCIATION – The following members were sworn into the Association by President Daniel Bussieres and Brian Dickinson

ELECTION OF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS – President King Nominating Committee advising that Jim Payne has agreed take over Presidents duties and Keith Morris has agreed to take over the Vice President duties. For each position, President King asked for further nominations from the floor three times and there were none. Both Jim Payne and Keith Morris were elected to the positions by acclamation. Congratulations to both and the Association thanks you for volunteering for these positions.

Reg King sworn Jim Payne as the new President and followed by Jim Payne sworn Keith Morris as the new Vice President.

Jim Payne thanks Reg King and Tim Hoban for their service support for the association.

WINE FOR DINNER:

Gilbert Morneau moved, seconded by Claude Beauregard that the Association pays for the wine for dinner. **CARRIED.**

SPRING MEETING

President Jim Payne indicated the spring meeting would be held at the Lion Club in Riverview and Bob Rochon, Bill Goobee, Rollie MacNeil came forward to host the meeting. The date for the meeting is Saturday, May 25, 2019. Suggestion for guest speaker would be someone to speak on making a will.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 3:45 PM Jim Payne moved that the meeting be adjourned and followed by a presentation by the guest speaker.

GUEST SPEAKER:

Our guest speaker, Ms Penny PACEY spoke about "Accessing Retirement Living & Long Term Care". The spouses attend the presentation.

Minutes prepared by:

Gilbert Morneau, Secretary