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Minutes of Spring Meeting, May 26, 2018 **Royal Canadian Legion, Miramichi (Chatham), NB**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER:** President Reg King called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM. He thanked everyone for attending. There were 21 in attendance. Reg advised that the presentation by Rollie MacNeil on Support and Advocacy and Mental Health First Aid Course had to be cancelled due to the Rollie being unable to attend the meeting due to personal reason. The subject would be brought to the fall meeting. Everyone introduced themselves.
- 2. SINGING OF O CANADA** – Lead by Veteran Tim Hoban.
- 3. MINUTE OF SILENCE FOR FALLEN BRETHERN:** In particular, the following who passed away since our last meeting: Patrick James Cole, **Georges L Soper**, Jean-Jacques Lemay, **Gerald Aubrey (Bud) Fisher**, W.J.R. MacMacdonald, Vince O'Donnell, Jack Hiscock, Harold MacDonald, **Robert (Bob) Gallup**, Timothy Omand, Pierre Parenteau, **Wilfred (Wilf) Weiss**, **J. Cyril Doucette**, **Rev. Ronald Rippin**, Loretta Brinton, Catherine Ann Robichaud, Inez Parsons.
- 4. CONFIRMATION OF CIRCULATED MINUTES:** The minutes from the fall meeting held in Oromocto on October 20, 2017 were accepted as circulated. Moved by Lorne House and seconded by Clayton Vautour. **MOTION CARRIED.**

The minutes of the Executive meeting held on April 26, 2018 were accepted as circulated. Moved by Lloyd Armstrong and seconded by Ned McBeath. **MOTION CARRIED.**

5. CORRESPONDENCE:

- Thank-you cards/messages for the Christmas Gift Cards were received from the following: Margaret Fox, Shirley Ferguson, Marlene Latchford, Judy Geddes & Family, Connie Jones, Mary Wilson, Ethel Rose, Janet Munro and Mabel Spiece.
- **Sharon Gallup**, “Thank you for your participation in Bob’s funeral. My family appreciated it very much. Thank you sincerely for your kind expression of

sympathy. It was deeply appreciated and is gratefully acknowledged. Thank you to the RCMP Veteran's Association. Sharon Gallup"

- **Soper Family**, "Your kind expression of sympathy is deeply appreciated and gratefully acknowledged. We very much appreciate your donation to the Canadian Cancer Society in memory of George. Sincerely Soper Family."
- **Audrey Walno**, "The RCMP Veterans Association, it's easy to say thank you, but it's harder to convey the heartfelt gratitude felt today. Your thoughtfulness means more than words can ever say. I would like to thank all of your members for the gift certificate. It is so nice to be remembered. Thanks again, Audrey Walno"

6. TREASURER'S REPORT: Claude Beaugard presented his financial report. A copy of Claude's report is attached. Ben St-Onge moved, seconded by Roger D'Entremont, that the report be accepted. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Claude noted in his report that our Division has \$16,153.89 in our bank account and an investment (GIC) in the amount of \$15,332.00 which is scheduled to mature on 2019-02-16. The total assets are currently at \$33,606.00 at the time of the spring meeting.

Question brought forward as to what the New Brunswick Veterans Association gets from the dues and what the amount of \$37.00 represents (i.e. insurance, staff, maintain internet, AGM). Suggested that Claude contact National Office to get clarification on this matter.

Draw for the refund of 2018 membership dues. This is for all the members who paid their membership dues prior to December 31st 2017. Draw by Dan McNeill and the winner was Pierre Lemonde.

7. GRAVE SITE REPORT: Danny McNeill read his report on the status of the program. He advised there are 30 inspectors which are up from 2017. In the next few weeks, once the ground is dry, they will complete their inspections and report their findings. Once all the reports are received, an all-encompassing report will be completed and presented at the fall meeting for approval. Once the report is approved at the fall meeting, an invoice for the work completed will be submitted to the CO "J" Division for payment. Keith Morris moved to accept the report, and seconded by Barry Campbell **MOTION CARRIED.**

8. MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Laurie MacNeil, Membership Director was unable to attend the meeting and his report was presented by Reg King. Since the fall meeting in October 2017, 11 applications were approved by the Membership Director. The following new members joined the Association: Supt. Kier MacQuarrie, Cpl. Benoit Bibeau, Cst. Luc Touchette, S/Sgt. Rocky Calhoun, Cpl. Daniel (Dan) Bussieres, A/Cst. Peter Dickens Sgt. Michel Boissonnault, S/Sgt. Randell (Randy) Cunningham, Cst. Brian Dickinson, Cst. Brent Dakai, Cst. Paul Nicholson.

Motion to accept the new members by Tim Hoban, seconded by Lorne House. **MOTION CARRIED.**

9. BURSARY PROGRAM: Dale Lively was unfortunately not able to attend the meeting. Tim Hoban spoke on his behalf and indicated Dale Lively donated \$60.00. The bursary report to be provided at the fall meeting.

10. OLD BUSINESS: ID CARDS: ID cards were briefly discussed but no decision was made.

11. NEW BUSINESS:

- Jim Payne volunteered to be the Coordinator for the Division as the contact person for the generation and territorial pins,
- Jim Payne spoke about possible gifts the association could acquire. He suggested a challenge coin with the association's crest and that of the province of NB could serve as an ideal gift of appreciation to guest speakers, members of the Association and others. Further discussion to be brought at the fall meeting by Jim.
- Brenda Bouck spoke about our newsletter and how we will have future articles on the work our members are doing in their communities an talk about our members giving to the community. There will be more focus on members.
- Barry Campbell requested to know if there was any updated on the NWMP.
- Lorne House spoke about the Annual Spring (Police & Friends) Fun Golf to be held on June 6th, 2018, in support of (Tourette Canada). Everyone welcome, non-golfers can cheer. A silent auction will take place during the supper.
- Invitation by the Knights of Columbus in Bathurst to the Solemn Blessing of First Responders which is to be held on May 27th, in Bathurst.
- **APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTIVE OFFICER.** Request by Tim Hoban seeking volunteers to offer for Vice President and for Director in Moncton (to replace Ron Smith).

12. GOOD OF THE ASSOCIATION:

- **NEW MEMBERS:** No new members were sworn in during the spring meeting as none were present at the time.
- **SUPPORT AND ADVOCACY:** Presentation by Rollie MacNeil on Support and Advocacy and Mental Health First Aid Course was postponed to the fall meeting. Tim Hoban is covering-off Bob Gallup's old position but is looking for a replacement. He is looking for two volunteers and has offered to work with them and assist on this task.
- **13. FALL MEETING:** Fall Meeting will be held in **Fredericton at 2:00 PM on October 20, 2018.**

Brian Griffiths proposed having the fall meeting at Shannex Building as they support the association. Barry Campbell to make contact for suggested topic for the speaker. Lorne House moved and seconded by Keith Morris that the meeting be held at the Shannex facility. **MOTION CARRIED.**

14. MOTIONS:

- Tim Hoban made a motion, seconded by Lorne House that the Association pay for wine at dinner. **MOTION CARRIED.**
- 15:23 hrs., Lorne House made a motion that the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Keith Morris. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Prepared by Gilbert Morneault
Secretary NB Veterans' Association.