

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION KINGSWAY BRANCH #175
MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING
TUESDAY OCTOBER 27, 2020

The President opened the meeting by ritual at 7:00 p.m. Comrade chaired the meeting.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Comrades Wills R, Kuervers, Forner, Wills C, Deugau, Earles, Ferguson, Fecteau O'Brien, Criss, Stewart

Excused: Comrade R. Torrie, Wiebe, Kerel

Absent:

Guests:

LAST POST

<u>NAME</u>	<u>AGE</u>	<u>DECEASED</u>	<u>SERVICE</u>
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MOTION TO ACCEPT THE AGENDA:

Motion to accept the agenda were made by Comrade MacIntosh
Seconded by Comrade Simon

CARRIED

WELCOMING CEREMONY:

The following new members attended the Welcoming Ceremony:

PRESENTATIONS:

MARIE SHARP – 5 YEARS
TERRY TRISKA – 25 YEARS
GARY FORNER – 50 YEARS

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE MEETINGS DATED 20 OCTOBER 2020

Motion: To accept the minutes was made by Comrade Steele
Seconded by Comrade Harvey

CARRIED

ERRORS OR OMISSIONS: None

BUSINESS ARISING: None

Motion: To adopt the minutes was made by Comrade Pelland
Seconded by Comrade Walsh

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Comrade Kuervers

- 1) We will be hearing about new COVID restrictions that will impact the Legion. The Finance Committee is looking at this we don't answer at this time, but we are definitely going to have to revisit our Finance plan based on new restrictions
- 2) Participation – I am actively looking for more participants to join the Finance committee, so if you are interested in joining, please come see me after the meeting.

I so move my report

Seconded by Comrade Stewart

CARRIED

TREASURER: Comrade Forner reported:

I so move my report.

Seconded by Comrade MacIntosh E

CARRIED

WAYS AND MEANS: Comrade Criss reported the following: As per the presented written Financial statement, I so move my report.

Seconded by Comrade Colpitts

CARRIED

MEMBERSHIP: Comrade C Wills reported that we have 1235 members

Ordinary	Associate	Affiliate	Life Members
486	397	326	26

I so move my report

Seconded by Comrade Steel

CARRIED

NEW MEMBERS: New Applications 10 Transfers 0 Reinstatement 0

Ordinary

BRUNO, Christina
LEWIS, Frederik D.
MARTIN, Michael J.

Associate

SHARKEY, Alex M
McEACHERN, Donald

Affiliate

JOHNSTON, Adam M.
HINKO, Anne C.
WONITOY, Robert F.
PAUL, Gary C.
GRAINGER, Margaret

Motion: I move that we accept those individuals for processing and transferring into our Branch.

Seconded by Comrade Christenson

CARRIED

PUBLICITY: Comrade Wills as per the Executive minutes I so move my report.

Seconded by Comrade Triska

CARRIED

SPORTS: Comrade Ferguson as per the Executive minutes, I so move my report.

I so move my report

Seconded by Comrade Steel

CARRIED

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS: No report

HISTORIAN: Comrade Deugau we will be having the Loyal Edmonton regiment for the rest of the season, we are hoping to have a display soon, replacing the temporary British Commonwealth display.

I so move my report.

Seconded by Comrade Etmanski

CARRIED

SICK AND VISITING: No Report

ENTERTAINMENT & SPECIAL EVENTS: Comrade Criss the last couple of dinner specials we played Family Feud and it went very well. AHS has cancelled everything else we had planned.

I so move my report

Seconded by Comrade Rayfield

CARRIED

POPPY: Presented by Comrade O'Brien the kits for distribution are ready to go. Tomorrow the 28th we set up shop in the Boardroom. If anyone who wants they may take their kits home tonight for delivery on Friday, the 30th. We still have a lot of openings in both Londonderry and Northgate Malls. Kits for the Malls will be ready to go tomorrow night.

This year we are preparing 2 kits for each Mall, this way we will always have a kit that is ready to go

I so move my report

Seconded by Comrade Harvey

CARRIED

POPPY TRUSTEE REPORT: Comrade Wills as per the Executive minutes, I so move my report.

I so move my report

Seconded by Comrade MacIntoch E

CARRIED

RESOLUTIONS & BYLAWS: Comrade Ferguson last month I made a Notice of Motion, this month we will vote on it.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

Preamble: Due to Covid19, we were not able to hold meetings in Mar, Apr, May, Jun, or Jul. In addition, all Area and District Rallies were cancelled for the year. As a result, none of our branch members will be able to meet the criteria for the upcoming election.

Currently our Bi-laws read:

Article VI, 6.3

(g) Except for new transfers any member aspiring to run for office on the Executive Committee must have attended a minimum of four (4) Branch General Meetings during the 12 full calendar months preceding the October General Meeting in the year of the election.

Motion:

I motion that we excuse the article for this year and amend the criteria to be:

(g) Except for new transfers, any member aspiring to run for office on the Executive Committee must have attended a minimum of two (2) Branch General Meetings during the 12 full calendar months including the October General Meeting in the year of the election. In the event that we are not able to hold other General Meeting this year due to Covid19, that the Executive will remain in place for another year.

END OF NOTICE OF MOTION

I so move the Motion

Seconded by Comrade E. MacIntosh

CARRIED

I so move my report.

Seconded by Comrade L. MacIntosh

CARRIED

HONOURS & AWARDS: No Report

CORRESPONDENCE: No Report

CADET LIAISON OFFICER: No Report

SERVICE OFFICER'S REPORT: Comrade Earles as per the Executive minutes, I so move my report.

Seconded by Comrade Stewart

CARRIED

Motion: 175-20-001 Section 401 Support Veteran Family - \$300.00 for Food Vouchers

Seconded by Comrade Walsh

CARRIED

Motion: 175-20-002 Section 401 Support Veteran Family - \$300.00 for Food Vouchers

\$2941.00 for Dentures for a Veteran

Seconded by Comrade Colpits

CARRIED

Motion: 175-20-003 Section 401 Support Veteran Family - \$300.00 for Food Vouchers

Seconded by Comrade Nelson

CARRIED

Motion: 175-20-004 Section 401 Support Veteran Family - \$2941.00 for Dentures for a Veteran

Seconded by Comrade Pelland

CARRIED

SGT-AT-ARMS: No Report

LA REPORT: No Report

LEST WE FORGET: No Report

KIPNESS CENTRE: No Report

VETERAN'S VILLA: Comrade Earles I attended the Board of Directors meeting on 24 September. Overall things are going well.

There has been some flooding in the building due to problems with the outside drainage pipes, repairs were finished 17 September.

There was a flood in the Social room due to an unrelated leak in the apartment above. There was only very minor damage.

There has been a decrease in mischief and security problems around the building, this can be attributed to the installation of additional lights and security cameras.

Financially Vets Villa is doing well.

Next meeting is 21 January. I so move my report.

Seconded by Comrade Etmanski

CARRIED

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Comrade Wills just a couple of new things, as you may or may not be aware, that as of Friday we can no longer have a social gathering larger than 15 people. Sports will carry on as usual, we are using our restaurant license, that while you are sitting having a drink or something to eat, you decided to take part in the facilities that are provided.

That is loophole, we are going to go through until they slap our hands if they decide to do it. In which case we will then stop. It does mean a reduction in events happening, basically we are down to zero the only meetings we can have are AGM's, General Meetings, but any food functions will no longer be available, unless there is 15 or less people. As a result, of this we have already lost 6 bookings for next month. You can see this will have a huge impact on us financially.

We are working on getting the new picture of the Queen. The Queen has done a new picture strictly based on Canada, where she is wearing her Canadian medal. I am getting hold of the Queen's Printers to find out when we can get some copies, Dominion only sends us one and we need more than one. I so move my report.

Seconded by Comrade L. MacIntosh

CARRIED

OLD BUSINESS: Remembrance Day Ceremony, We have permission to conduct a ceremony outside. First thing I want to point out is the doors to the Legion will not be open prior to the ceremony. So those of you who remained inside before and during the ceremony, that is not available this year. There is no way we can control social distancing. In addition, we are not allowed to have more than 15 people for a social event and I don't think AHS will consider that Remembrance Day post ceremony is anything but a social event. So therefore, in accordance with AHS we will not be open after the ceremony. Which once again is a huge loss financially, I will tell you that if we have less than 100 people at the service, we will open the doors. I don't think it is fair to allow 100 people in and not the rest, how do you control the others from coming in or out. So, it is easier to say if there is more than 100 people at the ceremony, we just do not open our doors.

Discussion amongst the members - we would keep our doors closed before and after the ceremony.

Motion: Comrade Nelson moved the Legion keep our doors closed before and after the Remembrance Day Ceremony.

Seconded by Comrade Pelland

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS:

Because of the restrictions the Halloween Party has been cancelled

New Year's Party we need to verify for next meeting regarding music etc.

Parking lights – reset for time change

We are amending the hours on Saturday the hours will be 11 am to 8 pm.

The kitchen will be open until 7 pm on Friday and 6 pm on Saturday's

COMMENTS FOR THE GOOD & WELFARE OF KINGSWAYS BRANCH # 175

50 / 50 DRAW:

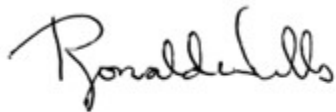
Winning Ticket # 919804 Amount: \$ 62.50

Winner: Ken Steele

Motion: To adjourn was made by Comrade L. MacIntosh

The President closed the meeting by ritual.

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 P.M.



Ronald Wills, CD
President
Kingsway Branch # 175



Carol Burton
Executive Secretary
Kingsway Branch # 175