

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION KINGSWAY BRANCH #175
MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE MEETING
TUESDAY 18 APRIL 2023

The President opened the meeting by ritual at 6:30 p.m.

The meeting was chaired by Comrade MacIntosh

ROLL CALL:

Present: Comrades R. Torrie, Ferguson, Etmanski, R. Wills, C. Wills, J. Hyshka, W. Hyshka, Criss, Fecteau, Deugau, Wiebe, Finch, Nelson, Walsh, Morrill, Werner

Excused: Comrade Nelson (vacation), Danyi (sick)

Absent:

Guests: Mark Norman – spoke on proposed show “Jake’s Gift”, we are looking at booking the show for Sunday June 4th

LAST POST

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Age</u> | <u>Deceased</u> | <u>Service (if applicable)</u> |
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MOTION TO ACCEPT THE AGENDA:

Motion to accept the agenda were made by Comrade W Hyshka
Seconded by Comrade Fecteau

CARRIED

Motion to adopt the agenda was made by Comrade Ferguson
Seconded by Comrade Deugau

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING DATING 28 MARCH 2023

Motion: To accept the minutes was made by Comrade W Hyshka
Seconded by Comrade Etmanski

CARRIED

Errors or Omissions: None

Business Arising:

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

CARRIED

COMMITTEE REPORTS

TREASURER: Comrade R. Wills

There was no meeting last week as the financials were not ready. The 2022 Audit was received on 15 Apr. The committee will be reviewing it at our next meeting!

We are still low on fund and have to control our spending over the next few months.

BMO Business Proposal

We have sent the signed proposal back to BMO. I received a request from them asking for proof that our taxes had being paid and a copy of our last filing of T1044 Non-Profit Organization (NPO) Information Return to CRA.

I so move my report

Seconded by Comrade Criss

CARRIED

WAYS & MEANS: Comrade Criss

Doing another Musical Bingo the weekend of April 29, 2023. The theme for this one is 80's. We have made a few changes to the bingo and will be having videos played with the songs going forward.

Received word from New Horizons Grant for \$25,000.00 was denied for a new POS system. Still waiting on CIP grant for \$30,000.00. It is geared towards a new POS system and some small network upgrades for what is left over. The CIP grant is going for the new speaker and sound system for the banquet rooms, while the CIP grant will be to redo the sound system in both banquet rooms. The CIOG grant has come due and I'm working on it.

The Entertainment and Ways & Means Committee is looking at donations from businesses for prizes. If you know of a company that can donate prizes or any other fundraising ideas, please contact Steve Criss at 780 278 1233 or at steve.criss@kingswaylegion.ca

I so move my report

Seconded by Comrade Walsh

CARRIED

MEMBERSHIP: Comrade C. Wills reported that we have 1360 members in good standing.

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| Ordinary | Associate | Affiliate | Life Members |
| 515 | 497 | 348 | 27 |

I so move my report

Seconded by Comrade Criss

CARRIED

NEW MEMBERS: Comrade C. Wills 7 New Applications, 0 Transfers, 0 Reinstatements

Ordinary

Associate

Affiliate

Houston, Preston L.
Chernenko, Louise
Moyles, Daniel
Strachan, John

Ruelling, Douglas
Pinzon, Cruz
Serbu, David

TRANSFER

Ordinary

Associate

Affiliate

REINSTATE

For a total of 7

I so move my report

Seconded by Comrade Ferguson

CARRIED

PUBLICITY: Comrade R. Wills

The website was updated today and we have had 4,933 hits the past 30 days. The upcoming event now have an Eventbrite link on the poster for easier ticket purchases. Janet Hazen will be taking over the website next week. A special thanks to her for taking it over.

I so move my report

Seconded by Comrade Wiebe

CARRIED

SPORTS: Comrade Nelson No report

BUILDING & GROUNDS: Comrade W. Hyshka

- Removal of garbage and cigarette butts
- Scraping and cleaning of landing by grease disposal unit
- Replaced the glass to picture frame flag display
- Repaired the weather stripping on rear door
- Vacuumed the Maple Leaf room
- Assisted in making perogies
- Assisted where needed

I so move my report

Seconded by Comrade Etmanski

CARRIED

HISTORIAN: Comrade Deugau

The LA display is up, Thank you, Kim Earles and Rick Etmanski. We are working on two other displays. One on the United Nations and the other the history of the RCMP for their 150th. If anyone who has any information on either of them or would like to help, please let me know.

I so move my report

Seconded by Comrade W Hyshka

CARRIED

SICK & VISTING: Comrade Wiebe No report

ENTERTAINMENT & SPECIAL EVENTS: Comrade J. Hyshka

Upcoming dates and bands are as follows:

March 31/April 1 – Steppin Out

April 8 – Trick Ryder

May 5/6 – Steppin Out

May 12/13 – Joe Luce (DJ)

May 19/20 – Dean Henry

May 26/27 – Trick Ryder

Upcoming special events are as follows:

2nd Annual Ukrainian Dinner

Sunday, April 30, 2023

Cost \$25.00

Reserved seating Only

Tickets on sale until Wednesday, April 26, 2023

Edmonton Eats & Kingsway Legion Present

Cooking Around the Globe – Destination Morocco and Libya

May 6, 2023

Tickets: \$25.00

Doors open at 5:00 pm

The adventure and dinner start at 5:30 pm

Alan Jackson & Friends

Friday, May 12, 2023

Dinner and Show - \$55.00

Show only: \$30.00

Doors open at 5:00

Dinner from 5:30 to 6:30

Show at 7:00

Mother's Day Special High Tea

Sunday, May 14, 2023

2 sittings 12:00 pm and 2:00 pm

\$25.00 per guest

Upcoming Events

A Tribute to the Johnny Cash Show

Presented by Jaedyn's Tributes

August 27, 2023

More details to come

A Tribute to the King

Saturday, September 30, 2023

Featuring Bruce Stewart as Elvis
More details to come

On Sunday, April 16, 2023, a group of us got together and made approximately 1,800 perogies for the upcoming Ukrainian Dinner. Many thanks to Rick, Ron, Carol, Phyllis, Dan, Deb, Laura, Trese, Wes and Debbie.

I so move my report
Seconded by Comrade Criss

CARRIED

POPPY: Comrade Finch

The month of April has been relatively quiet with respect to any new business. I attended a meeting at Home for Heroes with respect to supporting a veteran currently residing there & to meet new staff working in the facility & to strategize in how best to support individuals moving forward. The GEPF Board met late this month & a confirmation of roles for upcoming 2023 Poppy Campaign was discussed along with continuing to discuss & create a new “Terms of Reference (ToR)” going forward.

I so move my report
Seconded by Comrade Wiebe

CARRIED

SERVICE OFFICER’S REPORT: Comrade Walsh

Provided assistance to a veteran in completing documentation for disability pension, the individual was also referred to Command Service Officer for follow-up.

Meeting held with directing staff at Home for Heroes (H4H) concerning a veteran looking for assistance from the Poppy Fund, poppy assistance application forms left with staff for the veteran to complete. Telephone call received from a veteran in Lloydminster seeking help with completing disability pension forms, referred to Command Service Officer.

I so move my report
Seconded by Comrade J Hyshka

CARRIED

RESOLUTIONS & BYLAWS: Comrade Ferguson No Report

HONOURS & AWARDS: Comrade Fecteau No Report

CORRESPONDENCE: Comrade C.Wills No Report

CADET LIAISON REPORTS: Presented by Comrade Fecteau
No Report

SGT-AT-ARMS: Comrade Etmanski

We have a funeral on the 28th of April 1:00 pm at Kingsway, he played the Santa Claus at Londonderry Mall, we will be having a full Colour Party for him.

We also have a Colour Party task at the University (TBC), HiMarc program in which the Provincial Government will be making a presentation.

I so move my report

Seconded by Comrade Criss

CARRIED

MANAGER'S REPORT:

Grease bin is always full it seems, what happened to the expensive filter system that the kitchen was supposed to be using to save us on oil.

Answer: Comrade Wills, I brought it up with the cooks today that they will use the filter every night and I will be checking.

Band equipment is still in the hallway, if we get a fire inspection, we will be in trouble for all the junk in the hallways.

Answer: Comrade Torrie, the empty boxes and band equipment must be moved immediately.

Our POS system is very old and obsolete, since we have been turned down twice for a grant to help pay for a new system. We should think of getting a different system, than what we have now. The Norwood purchased a POS system for around \$3,000 for three tills, we would need four. They pay a monthly fee of which I'm not sure of, but we should investigate this because if our system goes down, it is not supported anymore.

Answer: Comrade Wills, if we can get information from St. Albert Legion, as they just got a new one and find out the costs.

We also need to get a better Wi-Fi system it keeps going out on people.

Answer: Not much we can do about the WiFi as we have old wiring, and it is to large of costs to change it. Comrade Wills will look into using the other WiFi unit that is hardly used and I will switch our debt machines to that account. Members are to use the "Telus open", enter your email address and they will have connection.

Comrade Fecteau moved the report

Seconded by Comrade Criss

CARRIED

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

FENCE – the fence between us and the apartment complex needs to be replaced. Bill O’Brien says they has a couple of estimates for it, the problem is that it is our fence to fix. We need approx.15 new posts to fix the fence. We need to find the money, chain link fencing would be best, but again, we need to find the money. In the meantime, the fence is propped up, until we have a plan and estimates for the repair.

We are tabling this issue until further information is found.

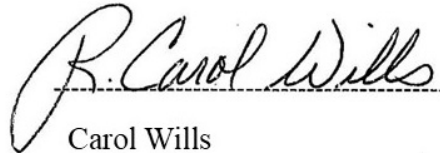
COMMENTS FOR THE GOOD & WELFARE OF KINGSWAYS BRANCH # 175

Motion: To adjourn was made by Comrade W Hyshka
The President closed the meeting by ritual.

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM



Robert “Mac” Torrie
President
Kingsway Legion Branch #175



Carol Wills
Executive Secretary
Kingsway Legion Branch #175