

**Grafton Legion Branch #580  
General Meeting  
November 1, 2018**

The Opening Ceremony was conducted in accordance with the ritual President Doug Moore called the meeting to order at 7:35 pm.

**Present:**

President	Doug Moore
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice	Bill MacDonald (Absent)
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice	David Coulter
Past President	Jen MacDonald
Treasurer	Karen Boyle
Secretary	Terri Wright

**Executive Committees** Heather Atkins  
Helen Massey  
John Grozelle  
Helen Routh  
Al Tidd  
Gord Catton  
Tracy Taylor

**Absent:** Bill MacDonald

**Installation of New Members ceremony conducted:**

Michael Beere, Darrin Mackie, James Powell, Lynne Lightfoot, Danielle Tidd-Lehtinam and Austin Mackie.

**Minutes**

**Errors or Omissions past Minutes**

Correction to the spelling of 'colour' in paragraph #4 under General & New Business.  
Add Al Tidd to attendance listing

**Business Arising from the Minutes**

n/a

**Motion to accept October Executive Minutes made by Heather Atkins, second by David Coulter, carried.**

**Motion to accept October General Minutes made by Jen MacDonald, second by Helen Massey, carried.**

**Presidents Report**

n/a

### **Treasurer's Report**

General	\$ 8072.45
Building	\$ 8164.60
Investment	\$ 11180.44
Bingo	\$ 9153.25
Nevada	\$ 7513.96
Lottery Trust	\$ 3304.47

**Motion to accept October Treasurer's Report made by Al Tidd, carried by Gerry Freymann, carried.**

### **Correspondence**

Invitation to attend the Northumberland County 4H Awards Night on Saturday November 24<sup>th</sup>, 2018-invitation will be posted in lounge for those interested.

**Motion to accept correspondence as read made by Heather Atkins, second by Helen Massey, carried.**

### **REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

**Padre:** Bill Thompson  
No report

**Past President:** Jen MacDonald  
No report

**Membership:** Heather Atkins  
New application received-Raymond Lee Hathoway – Associate

**Leadership/Planning:** Jen MacDonald  
Going back to the September meeting where a request was made to purchase 2 "Honour Rolls"; this item was not finalized and Jen would like an answer.

**Motion to purchase 2 Honour Rolls made by Jen MacDonald, second by Heather Atkins, carried.**

**Service Officer:** Doug Moore  
No report

**Sgt at Arms:** Bill MacDonald delivered by Jen MacDonald  
Colour party for November 4<sup>th</sup> services require 2 more-Doug Moore and Gord Catton have volunteered.  
Victoria College service is all in place.  
Colour Party and road closure paperwork is all in place for November 11<sup>th</sup> Cenotaph service.

**Poppy:** David Coulter  
Account balance remains the same.  
Unfortunately, we are having trouble getting a speaker for the service; Bill Pratt is not available nor is the MPP. Will continue working on this item.

Wreaths are ready except for the Barlow Wreaths, not sure who placed them in the past. Will continue working on this item as well.  
Cenotaph Program is complete-revised to be generic for future use.

Gerry Freymann is handling the music for us.  
Contact has been made to all but 1 of the Widows of Fallen Soldiers for the dinner.

Padre Bill not able to do service at Cenotaph but coming to the dinner.  
Requesting President Moore to emcee event at Cenotaph-request was accepted by President Moore.

**Youth Ed:** Jen MacDonald

Pick up of the posters for Remembrance Day contest is November 8<sup>th</sup>.  
Judging for poster contest will not take place until November 14<sup>th</sup> as last year we had winners leaked out prior to being announced.  
Winners will be invited to attend December General Meeting.

**PRO:** John Grozelle

Nov 3 Xmas Bizarre is sold out-all tables full.  
Foote Notes lists all upcoming events along with website.

Would like to purchase a large calendar to be posted in the lounge to be populated with upcoming events.

**Motion to purchase calendar made by John Grozelle, second by Heather Atkins, carried.**

**Honors & Awards:** Heather Atkins

Reminder of the November 5<sup>th</sup> deadline for any nominations for Legionnaire of the Year or Certificates of Merit.

**Bar:** Karen Boyle

November schedule is full.  
Need extra help on November 23<sup>rd</sup> for birthday party in hall that night-Gerry Freymann will assist.  
December 24<sup>th</sup> is a Monday and we are closed as well as December 25, 26 & 27<sup>th</sup>  
The Lounge now has posted signage on age requirements.

**LA Liaison:** Tracy Taylor

No report

**Bingo:** Tracey Taylor

9153.25 in account- not for long as yearly donations will be issued in December.

**Sports:** Al Tidd

Sheets have been posted in the lounge for all upcoming events.

**Seniors:** Helen Massey

November 21<sup>st</sup> has been slated for Christmas party instead of December; posters to be taken to Haldimand Court to extend invitation.

**Sick & Visiting:** Helen Massey

Bernice is now in a private room, Ed is very lonesome; if anyone can, maybe stop by and say hello.

Jim Routh advised that Gerry Nickerson is home with pneumonia.

**Entertainment:** Terri Wright

Oktoberfest Dinner went well, approximately 40 people.

**Ways and Means:** Helen Routh

Friday night dinners now have 50/50 draw.

**Building Report:** Bill MacDonald delivered by Jen MacDonald

New light bulbs-it has been communicated that these will be available the first week of December.

**Motion to accept all standing reports as read made by Mary Lou Taylor, second by Al Tidd, carried.**

**GENERAL & NEW BUSINESS TO BE BROUGHT FORWARD**

David Coulter would like to see the bar open on December 24<sup>th</sup> for a few hours, with the bar closed on the Sunday before, Monday being our regular day closed, closed on the Tuesday and Wednesday as statutory days.

Karen noted that all other establishments are closed or closed by at least by 6:00 pm on Christmas Eve and will not ask anyone to work for a couple hours.

Karen suggested to open for a few hours on Thursday December 27<sup>th</sup> instead.

**Motion to open the bar on Thursday December 27<sup>th</sup> from 2 pm to 6 pm made by Karen Boyle, second by David Coulter, carried.**

David Coulter asked if Cadets and A/H Fire Department will be present at the Remembrance Day dinner to receive their yearly donations.

Jen MacDonald indicated that the Cadets will be attending but was not sure about the Fire Dept.

On behalf of the President, Terri Wright to make contact to Alnwick/Haldimand Township to extend invitation to Mayor and Councilors along with request to have a senior representative from A/H Fire attend as well.

Noting donations to the Alnwick/Haldimand Fire Dept and the Cadets; Karen Boyle would like to see the amount of donation increase for the fire department.

**Motion to change the year donation of \$1000 be increased to \$1500 to the A/H Fire Department made by Karen Boyle, second by Jim Routh, carried.**

**Motion to donate \$1500 to the Cadets made by David Coulter, second by Fred Sharpe, carried.**

Donations for remaining yearly charities to be reviewed at December 6<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Terri Wright stated that SWS have been in and are willing to update the water system with a new one to meet the requirements set out by the Inspector from the Health Unit.

**Motion to approve the quote provided by SWS Inc. Cobourg to remove and replace the water filtration system at a cost of \$2,379.22 (includes HST) made by Helen Massey, second by David Coulter, carried.**

**Motion to approve the quote provided by SWS Inc. Cobourg for a yearly maintenance package on the water filtration system at a cost of \$273.40 (includes HST) made by Helen Massey, second by David Coulter, carried.**

Ladies Auxillary have asked for the Branch Executive to look after the Ladies annual Christmas dinner on December 13<sup>th</sup>; the LA meeting is at 5:30pm and dinner for 6:00pm.

President Moore responded with a yes.

Karen Boyle asked about the status of the Investment funds; do we still plan to move it out of its current place.

With the past conflict no longer valid, do we need to move it?

David Coulter suggests we approach a bank to see about a cashable GIC fund.

Doug Moore suggest it stays until we determine what amount of money is needed for the electrical and ceiling repairs.

Fred Sharpe noted that this is the first year for the Northumberland 4H Awards banquet.

The invitation is extended to all and if you plan to attend to RSVP according to the date.

Request of sponsors to attend and the Branch is a sponsor.

Bells of Peace on November 11<sup>th</sup>-Terri Wright to contact local churches to find out if all will be participating.

Terri Wright-Roast beef dinners has been push to next meeting for 4 months.

Do we continue with the monthly dinner and does the price stay at \$15.00?

**Motion made to continue with the monthly roast beef dinners for \$15.00 per person made by John Grozelle, second by Lynn Lightfoot, carried.**

50/50 draw \$24.00 to winner John Grozelle

Meeting adjourned at 9:10pm

President: \_\_\_\_\_

Secretary: \_\_\_\_\_