

**Minutes of an Executive/General Meeting  
Held At Branch 92  
Tuesday 11 April 2017**

**Committee Members Present**

President	Cliff Weir
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	Wes Rideout
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President	Owen Fitzgerald
3rd Vice President	John Robertson
Executive Members	Janet Gaylord
	Ron Knapton
	Anne Parker
	John Petch
	Alfie Read
	Dan Spencer
	Bev Miller
Secretary	Bill Beswetherick
Manager	Ann DeWolfe

**Committee Members Absent**

Murray Salter  
Harold Miller

**Introduction** There were 24 members present including executive members.

**Treasurer** Bill Beswetherick noted that the Building Fund has \$79,788.22 and the General Fund account has \$56,116.14 for a total of \$135,904.36 that can be used for maintenance and operations.

He noted that without the monies that the Branch received over the past year from two generous bequeaths totalling more than \$100,000 the Legion would be showing a significant loss for Fiscal Year 2016/17. Our Fiscal Year 2016/17 report should be available for the June meeting and will be posted on the bulletin board and in our website.

**Lottery** The Lottery Fund has \$8,063.94 Bill Beswetherick noted that the Branch has committed to providing a grant of \$2,000 to the Brockville General Hospital on 3 May. That would be the last of the five donations that the Branch agreed to provide to the hospital. The LA will donate \$2,000.

**Poppy** For the past four years the Poppy Fund has donated \$1,000 to the Brockville General hospital. To meet the requirements of Poppy regulations, Bill Beswetherick made a motion to approve this grant for 2017. Seconded by Glen Parker.

The dinner at Carveth for veterans will be Tue 6 June (D Day).

The dedication of a large stone at Carveth Care Centre bearing the poem In Flanders Fields will be dedicated sometime this summer. At the last meeting the Branch donated \$500 towards the project. The final \$3,000 cost has been raised by donations from local businesses and other service clubs.

**House and Property** Charlie Burrige noted that work is underway to fix the toilets on the main floor which often leak or fail to flush properly. The plan is to do the improvement for both floors in time for the District G Convention 21-23 April. He and Cliff are still awaiting an estimate on the improvements to the bar. Charlie also noted the installation of the new ice machine.

**Manager/Entertainment** Ann DeWolfe noted that there will be entertainment Fri night and Sat afternoon and Sat evening for the Convention. Meat Draws will end the last Fri in April and hopefully resume in the fall.

**PRO** There was a small ceremony at the town war memorial on 9 Apr to mark two events: the 100th anniversary of the capture of Vimy Ridge on 9 Apr 1917 and the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the death on 2 May 1917 of Lieutenant Colonel Russel Britton. Bill noted that the Branch will find an occasion to mark its 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary (formed 10 April 1927)

and the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the posthumous awarding on 16 August 1917 of a Victoria Cross to Private Harry Brown of Gananoque.

A \$250 check from the Poppy Fund was presented to 492 Cadet Corps to assist it with its winter training sessions.

**New Business** Wes Rideout outlined what will happen 21-23 April when Branch 92 hosts the District G Convention. He is the Convention Co-ordinator. To date we have received 168 registration forms. Registration will be at the Legion Fri evening and all day Sat as well as at the High School Sun am. Ray Foster, Registration Chair, is still looking for volunteers to assist with the Friday night registration which will be the busiest period.

Al Read suggested that motion detectors or other forms of timers could be installed to reduce electricity costs. The idea will be investigated.

**Branch Adjournment** At 7:27 Glen Parker made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Ray Foster. Carried.

**Cliff Weir**  
**President**

**Bill Beswetherick**  
**Secretary**