

**Minutes of an Executive Meeting
Held At Branch 92
Tuesday 5 September 2017**

Committee Members Present

President	Wes Rideout
1 st Vice President	Owen Fitzgerald
2 nd Vice President	Anne Parker
Past President	Cliff Weir
Executive Members	Ron Knapton Dan Spencer Bob Howard Ron Knapton Alfie Read Doug Johnston Charlie Burrige
Secretary	Bill Beswetherick
Manager	Ann DeWolfe

Committee Members Absent

Janet Gaylord
Harold Miller
Heather Thomson
Glen Parker

President Wes Rideout presented a motion that will be presented at the 12 Sep General Meeting. Its purpose was to clarify the complaints procedure. Executive members were asked to examine the motion so that it can be approved at the 12 Sep General Meeting and then be presented at the next Zone G-2 Convention on 17 Sep.

Treasurer Secretary Bill Beswetherick stated that the end of the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 showed a loss of \$27,155.99 but noted that much of this loss came because the Branch spent \$25,982.63 paving the parking lot. Currently the Branch has

\$132,688.29 in the bank. This is mainly the result of three generous bequeaths made in the wills of Eileen Bulger, Dennis Weir, and Harold Rushton. In addition, the metal reclamation programme run by Cliff Weir, Carl Duff, and John Robertson has generated considerable revenue as well as have .the Sunday Brunches started by Cliff Weir and the monthly meat draws run by Manager Anne DeWolfe.

Bill noted that Branch 92 is an expensive building to maintain. Utility costs alone last year were \$25,342.26 or just over \$2,000 a month and that insurance costs were just over \$10,000.

Bill also noted that Manager Ann DeWolfe has arranged to have the chairs in the upstairs area re-covered. To do them commercially would have cost the Branch well over \$2.300. Ann purchased the material and had them recovered at a cost of about \$300.

Bill noted that the Branch will be visited by Zone Commander Ralph McMullen 12 Sep as part of his annual visit to the Branch.

Raffle Bill noted that the Branch, LA, And Poppy Fund have just competed ten years of donations of \$5,000 annually to the Kingston and Brockville General Hospitals, a total over the past ten years of \$50,000. The Branch should consider what to do for 2018 with its raffle income.

Bill proposed the following grants: \$300 to Queen's University Band to support its participation in our annual Remembrance Day Ceremonies and \$400 to acquire two oak seedlings – one for the Town Park and one for the Legion Rider's Park. The seedlings come from acorns gathered from the Vimy Battlefield just after the April 1917 battle.

House and Property Ann DeWolfe noted that at times the difference in temperature between the lower and upper floors of the building differ as much as ten degrees Celsius

to the point that the Ladies Bridge members had to wear jackets. There was discussion about calling in an HVAC expert. Charlie Burrige and Cliff Weir indicated that they will investigate a solution to this long-standing problem.

There were concerns about the parking lot light and that it does not cast enough light. Charlie Burrige stated he would investigate.

Poppy The poppy Fund has just over \$3,000 in the bank and no outstanding expenses. It was proposed by Bill Beswetherick that a sum up to \$1000 be granted to 492 Cadet Military Police Corps so that it can plan its winter training session. Seconded by Dan Spencer. Carried. To be presented at the 12 Sep General Meeting.

Bar The TGIF system has not attracted any new customers and will be ended immediately. Shortly the Branch, like all organizations, will feel the effects of a rise in the Provincial minimum wage. Wine

Effective 1 Oct Draft will be \$4.00, bottled beer will be \$4.50.

Adjournment Sat 8:02 Dan Spencer made a motion to adjourn. Carried.

Wes Rideout
President

Bill Beswetherick
Secretary