Zone G6 Convention Meeting Branch 244 Perth-Upon-Tay Sunday March 10, 2024

- **1.** The meeting was called to order at 12:30 by Zone Commander, Rob Madore and declared open for business. Opening ceremonies followed.
- **2.** Moved by Brian Kilby, seconded by Lorraine Lapense to adopt the agenda and permit deviations. Carried.
- **3.** Zone Commander, Rob Madore welcomed us to Zone Convention and thanked everyone for attending.
- **4.** Ivan Cole, President of Branch 244 brought out the kitchen staff and thanked them for the wonderful meal. He reminded us of the opportunity to visit their museum after this meeting.
- 5. There was no business arising from the minutes.
- 6. In Attendance: Sheila Sojakarich, Ivan Cole, Kim Richmond, Rob Madore, Pat Muldoon, Elaine Madore, Barry Pascoe, Claire Husson, Ken Fleming, Terry Jacobs, Dennis Hearn, Jim Hemlin, Brian Kilby, Sandy Maher, Jeff Bradley, Bruce Irvine, Gary Garland, Bob Thomson, Lorraine Lapensee, Don Swerdfeger, Mary Jo Gauthier, Kevin Francis, George Wood, Darleen Sargeant, Annaleine Venite, Donna Bell, Phil Gerguson, Kevin Johnson, George Dolan, Stan Lasenba, Sue McLean and Bob Atkinson. The secretary wishes to apologize for any misspelling of names.
- 7. Comrade Rob introduced Don Swerdfeger, 2nd Deputy District G Commander as our guest speaker. Comrade Don's notes can be read on Attachment "A". Comrade Geoge Wood thanked Don and informed him that a donation of \$50.00 would be made on his behalf to the Veterans Memorial Park.
- **8.** Zone Commander, Rob Madore presented his report, moved it, seconded by Brian Kilby, and carried.
- 9. Deputy Zone Commander, Jim Wilson's (absent) report was on page 2.
- **10.** Ladies Auxiliary Zone G6 Commander, Elaine Madore presented her report, moved it, seconded by Rob Madore and carried.
- **11.** The Treasurer's report was presented by Claire Husson, moved it, seconded by Darleen Sargeant, and carried.
- **12.** Public Speaking chair, Lorraine Lapensee presented her report, moved it, seconded by Barry Pascoe and carried.
- **13.** PP&E chair, Donna Bell presented her report, moved it, seconded by George Wood and carried.
- **14.** Membership chair, Jim Wilson's (absent) report was on page 3. Comrade George Wood handed out Certificates to the Branches with 100% or more of their previous membership.
- **15.** Poppy Chair, Barry Pascoe informed us that 1/3 of the Ontario Branches have not yet submitted their Status Reports. Zone G6 are six of eight. He also asked that each Branch submit any name changes that they may have for their Poppy Chairs.

- 16. Sports chair, Stan Lasenba presented his report, moved it, seconded by Kevin Johnson.
- **17.** Bursary Chair, George Dolan presented his report, moved it, seconded by Barry Pascoe, carried.
- **18.** Smiths Falls, Br 95 President Gary Garland, presented his report, seconded by Barry Pascoe and carried.
- **19.** Arnprior, Br 174, Victor Garbutt's (absent) report was presented by Donna Bell, seconded by George Dolan and carried.
- **20.** Carleton Place, Br 192 President Kevin Francis, presented his report, seconded by Brian Kilby and carried.
- **21.** Almonte, Br 240 Rob Madore presented his report, seconded by Kevin Johnson and carried.
- **22.** Perth-upon-Tay, Br 244 President Ivan Cole, presented his report, seconded by Darleen Sargeant and carried.
- **23.** Lanark, Br 395 President Darleen Sargeant presented her report, seconded by Robert Atkinson and carried.
- 24. West Carleton, Br 616 President Kevin Johnson presented his report, seconded by George Dolan and carried.
- **25.** Kanata, Br 638 President Jim Hemlin presented his report, seconded by Sue McLean and carried.

New Business

Comrade Sue McLean mentioned her concerns that Branches are only allowed to help veterans and/or their spouses if they are living in nursing homes, retirement homes or LT Care homes. We are not able to help veterans and/or their spouses if they are living on their own. Comrade Don Swerdfeger suggested that we contact District to have these changes made.

Comrade Rob Madore thanked us all for coming out today and looks forward to seeing you at District in April.

Motion of adjournment by Robert Atkinson, seconded Barry Pascoe, carried.

Next Zone G6 Convention Sunday September 8, 2024 12:30 PM Branch 95 Smiths Falls

Zone Commander Rob Madore

Secretary Claire Husson

Attachment A

Greetings from District Commander and Council.

- Dominion Convention August 24-28/24 at Saint John, New Brunswick
- Branches get your credentials in to Provincial Command no later than May 31/24
- Voting will be online so you will need a smart phone or an I-pod to vote
- 100 Anniversary for the Legion 2025
- Branch inspection form
- Viva claim is ongoing moving very slow
- MSRB books getting damaged from the weather when left outside at the Branches. Someone to have them delivered to their home instead of the Branch.
- Branches can now use a credit card (a copy of the form is attached hereto)
- Form needs to be filled out for every transaction
- Article III Mandatory mediation changes made to make easier
- Officer's Manual only printing amendments
- Provincial Command wondering if Branches have a vet that would be willing to do an interview with the media
- Poppy reports get them done and into District
- AGCO Liquor licence valid signature signing authority
- Chain of Command
- Branch survey not sent in to District G, 21 Branches

Don Swerdfeger, 2nd Deputy District G Commander



Name on Credit/Debit Card:

BRANCH REQUISITION FORM FOR USE OF CREDIT OR DEBIT CARDS OR EFT'S

At the November 2023 annual Provincial Executive Council meeting, approval was given to Branches to utilize credit cards for payment of accounts payable.

Section 1207 of the General By-Laws for Branches and Section 922 of the Ontario Provincial Command General By-Laws state that when credit or debit cards or EFT are used, a signed requisition form with two authorized signatures will be required.

FORM

Account Payee:	
Amount of Payment:	
Purpose of Expenditure:	
Date Authorized:	
<u>Authorized BY:</u> (at Executive Mt, General Mtd,	Finance Committee, President)
1 st Signature (& Print Name)	
Position Held:	
2 nd Signature (& Print Name)	
Position Held:	
Date:	
Credit/Debit Card or EFT	

Expiry Date of Credit/Debit Card