

AGENDA  
DISTRICT 2 MEETING  
September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017  
Branch #32, Bay Roberts

1. Opening Ritual / Welcome
2. Minutes of Last Meeting
3. Business Arising
4. Post Branch remarks / Welcome
5. Branch report:
  - a- Branch 09 Spaniards Bay
  - b- Branch 15 Harbour Grace
  - c- Branch 22 Upper Island Cove
  - d- Branch 23 Carbonear
  - e- Branch 32 Bay Roberts
  - f- Branch 39 Dildo
  - g- Branch 65 Brigus
  - h- Charwood Legion Manor Carbonear
6. New Business
  - a- TCP Telethon
  - b- Poppy Campaign Opening 27 October 2017
  - c- Presentation of Plaques
  - d-Charwood Manor By-Laws
  - e- District Commander Election
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7. Other Business
8. Closing Ritual
9. Next Meeting:                   TBD

# District 2 Meeting

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### Branch #32, Bay Roberts

Commander		Robert Mugford	Commander	Present
Provincial Command		Berkley Lawrence	President	Present
Secretary		Nicole Badcock	Secretary	Present
Branch 09	Spaniards Bay	Bill Titford	Member	Present
Branch 15	Harbour Grace	Paulette Morrissey	President	Present
Branch 15	Harbour Grace	Timmy Pasha	2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice-President	Present
Branch 22	Upper Island Cove	Pamela Neil	President	Present
Branch 22	Upper Island Cove	T. Walsh	Secretary	Present
Branch 22	Upper Island Cove	Michelle Coombs	Treasurer	Present
Branch 23	Carbonear	Michael Butt	President	Present
Branch 23	Carbonear	Hal Evelyn	Chaplin	Present
Branch 23	Carbonear	Gerry Dominie		Present
Branch 23	Carbonear	Leslie Forward	1 <sup>st</sup> Vice-President	Present
Branch 32	Bay Roberts	Ross Petten	President	Present
Branch 32	Bay Roberts	Tom Harris	Treasurer	Present
Branch 32	Bay Roberts	Anne Harris	Member	Present
Branch 32	Bay Roberts	Ernie Mugford	Membership	Present
Branch 32	Bay Roberts	Eric Mercer	Service Officer	Present
Branch 32	Bay Roberts	Philip Wood	Member	Present
Branch 32	Bay Roberts	Gary Badcock	Member	Present
Branch 32	Bay Roberts	Mildred Mugford	Member	Present
Branch 39	Dildo	Ira Halfyard	President	Present
Branch 39	Dildo	Gordon Reid	Treasurer	Present
Branch 39	Dildo	George Brown	Member	Present
Branch 65	Brigus	Gerald Mercer	President	Present
Branch 65	Brigus	Craig Pameroy	Service Officer	Present
Charwood Legion Manor Carbonear		Sarah Lawrence	Secretary	Present

#### 1. Welcome:

at 10:05hrs Commander Comrade Robert Mugford opened the meeting with the singing of "O Canada" and the Legion Ritual; and then commented positively at the presence of all the Branches of District 2.

#### 2. Minutes of the last meeting:

Comrade Nicole Badcock read the Minutes of the last Meeting dated April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

Comrade Mildred Mugford moved to have the Minutes of the last meeting be accepted as read

Comrade Michael Butt Seconded the Motion

**MOTION CARRIED**

\* Comrade Bill Titford advised all present that the meetings at Charwood Manor take place on the last Wednesday of every month; the correction has been made to those Minutes.

3. Business arising: No business was brought forward.

4. Host Branch Welcome:

President Comrade Ross Petten, President of Branch 32 Bay Roberts, welcomed all present, congratulated Provincial Command President Comrade Berkley Lawrence on his new appointment, commented very positively on the presence of all the District's Branches and ended by inviting all present to stay and enjoy soup and sandwiches after the meeting.

5. Branch President Reports:

- Branch 09: Comrade Bill Tittford had no notes for Spaniards Bay but conveyed that the Branch is doing well with fundraisers such as "Open Mike" and "Kitchen Parties".
- Branch 15: President Comrade Paulette Morrissey offered that Harbour Grace has 41 paid members, and happily relayed that the Church and house buildings have been graciously gifted to the Branch by Pastor White who will be moving out at the end of the year, then Comrade Paulette Morrissey added that the town is very supportive of the Legion so it returned the Deed of the Memorial Garden to the Branch, the Chase the Ace twice a week is not well attended but only a few cards left to be drawn, the Branch supports 44 Cadets which is good.
- Branch 22: President Comrade Pamela Neil informed all present that Upper Island Cove has 35 paid members, the Branch is doing well with a lot of catering this past summer, the Firemen's Ball next week, Men's Dart, etc.; the Branch is doing great.
- Branch 23: President Comrade Michael Butt declared that Carbonear did a lot of catering, wedding, private parties, etc... this past summer, the Firemen's Ball will take place next week, the Men's Dart League is 48 players strong, Chase the Ace, Jam sessions, VLT, Poppy Campaign, Cadets in Carbonear and Victoria, the Memorial Banner Project is very successful with 13 so far and hoping to have all 35 banners up by November 11<sup>th</sup>, the new metal roof was installed by the Engineer Squadron of Gander free of charge to the Legion so all the Branch has to do is house them and feed them, as for volunteers our Branch can count on 40 members for any activity and the Branch is doing very well
- Branch 32: President Comrade Ross Petten disclosed that Bay Roberts Branch holds 158 paid members, the Chase-the-Ace was doing okay, the Branch received a Government Grant to repair the Marina as well as the Branch building, this past summer we had dances, dinners, Jam sessions and BBQ Steak Dinner once a month, we are now in possession of a Moose license in order to serve moose meat dinners, as for volunteers we can count on 10 or 11 only for any activity and regarding our financial problem we are working through it as the investigation is still on the go.
- Branch 39: President Comrade Ira Halfyard notified all present that Dildo holds 40 members, the Branch is doing well and will be giving out 3x \$1,000.<sup>00</sup> for scholarship .
- Branch 65: President Comrade Gerald Mercer cited that the Branch has 32 members but no volunteers to count on for activities, the Branch has a new camera system, the application for the Moose license has been sent but not received yet, the VLT and Chase the Ace are doing good, the Firemen's Ball is next week, the Branch wants to expand the building for new washrooms and more space.
- Charwood Manor: Secretary Comrade Sarah Lawrence informed all present that the Manor has 28 apartments and 10 cottages and they are all full, the new kitchen cabinets built by a Spaniards Bay Company are beautiful and the new By-Laws are available.

## 6. New Business:

- TCP Telethon October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017: Commander Comrade Robert Mugford pleaded with all present that at least 9 members are needed to man the phone for this activity; he was very upset at the lack of responses from the Branches by email or phone.
- Poppy Campaign 2017: Commander Comrade Robert Mugford asked for a Branch to volunteer its services for hosting the Opening of the Poppy Campaign as he will not be Commander of the District at that time; Comrade Paulette Morrissey, President of Branch 15 Harbour Grace, happily volunteered her Branch to host the Opening of the Poppy Campaign on October 26<sup>th</sup> at 19:30hrs.
- Presentation of Plaques: Commander Comrade Robert Mugford presented two plaques to Comrade Bill Titford, the first is for Branch excellence and the second for Lady's auxiliary excellence; both plaques were awarded to Branch 9 Spaniards Bay at the Provincial Convention 2017 in Stephenville.
- Charwood Manor By-Laws: Comrade Sarah Lawrence distributed copies of the By-Laws to the assembly and read the changes made by the committee: Article 5.00, 6.00, 7.02, 7.03, 8.02 and 12. Comrade Bill Titford asked Comrade Sarah Lawrence to talk about the benefit to members of the committee and Comrade Sarah Lawrence referred all to Article 10.09

Comrade Sarah Lawrence

moved to have the new By-Laws accepted as read

Comrade Ross Petten

seconded the motion

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- CF1 Card for Veterans: Comrade Ernie Mugford discussed his attendance to the Atlantic PPCLI Association gathering in Nova Scotia recently. He explained some of the benefits of the CF1 card for Veterans such as “no charge for up to 200lbs of luggage for travel” and notified all present that Branch 32 has application forms on hand. Provincial Command President Comrade Berkley Lawrence added that the CF1 card is required in order for Veterans to receive the benefits on Marine Atlantic Ferries.
- Fund raising for Veteran: while in Nova Scotia Comrade Ernie Mugford met a Veteran with 7 tours of duties to dangerous places. This Veteran is retired and owns a 5 unit building which he opens up to Veterans to help them get off the street. Comrade Ernie Mugford wants to raise \$1,000.<sup>00</sup> for that building.
- Thank you: Commander Comrade Robert Mugford thanked everyone and he was happy to have been the Commander for the past 4 years, he thanked his wife Mildred for putting up with all his time away from her, he thanked Comrade Gary Badcock for always fixing his computer when he needed it, he thanked Comrade Nicole Badcock for doing a good job as Secretary, he thanked Comrade Philip Wood for his assistance at Parades and thanked all present for their support during his time as District 2 Commander.
- Election of District 2 Commander: Commander Comrade Robert Mugford explained that each Branch has only 2 votes toward a new Commander.
  - ☞ Commander Comrade Robert (Bob) Mugford asked for nominations:
  - ☞ Comrade Bill Titford nominated Comrade Philip Wood.
  - ☞ Commander Comrade Robert (Bob) Mugford asked for nominations a second time:
  - ☞ Comrade Michael Butt nominated Comrade Hal Evelyn.
  - ☞ Commander Comrade Robert (Bob) Mugford asked for nominations a third time: none.

- ☞ Commander Comrade Robert (Bob) Mugford declared the nomination Closed.
- ☞ Commander Comrade Robert (Bob) Mugford asked each nominee to accept the nomination
- ☞ Comrades Philip Wood and Hal Evely both accepted their nomination.
- ☞ During the voting process each candidate spoke about themselves: Comrade Hal Evely disclosed that he held many positions in the Legion as he has been a member for 30 years and he has the time now to dedicate all of it to the position of District Commander. Comrade Philip Wood expressed that he was happy to have an election, he is the Mayor of Bay Roberts and very committed to the Legion; he praised each Branch individually for their accomplishments and declared that the Legion is vital to Veterans.
- ☞ Comrade Philip Wood was elected District 2 Commander.
- Commander Comrade Robert (Bob) Mugford asked for a motion to have the ballots destroyed.
 

Comrade Michael Butt	moved to have the ballots destroyed
Comrade Mildred Mugford	seconded the motion

MOTION CARRIED

- ☞ Comrade Philip Wood thanked Comrade Robert Mugford for a great job.

## 7. Other Business:

- Comrade Paulette Morrissey notified all present that a Veteran Engineer by the name of Jason Cody who served in the Navy with her owns a business and hires only Veterans with Engineering and Electronic background.
- Provincial Command President Comrade Berkley Lawrence disclosed the names of Officials:
  - ☞ Immediate Past President: Frank Sullivan from Branch 34 Southern Shore.
  - ☞ 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President: David Johnston from Branch 35 Stephenville.
  - ☞ 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President: Nathan Lehr from Branch 68 Pasadena.
  - ☞ Provincial Treasurer: Ian Walsh from Branch 33 Placentia
  - ☞ Command Chairman: Aiden Crewe from Branch 45 Bonne Bay
  - ☞ District 1 Commander: Gerald Budden from Branch 50 Conception Bay South
  - ☞ District 2 Commander: Philip Wood from Branch 32 Bay Roberts
  - ☞ District 3 Commander: currently Steven Hanham from Branch 29 Burin but it might change after election tomorrow
  - ☞ District 4 Commander: Janis Boone from Branch 5 Botwood
  - ☞ District 5 Commander: Ralph Rice from Branch 68 Pasadena
  - ☞ District 6 Commander: Ron Earl from Branch 57 Labrador City
  - ☞ The Convention was good, two resolutions were passed at the Convention:
    - ✓ One to amend the NL Command BY-Laws to include a paragraph detailing the requirement for Command to hold an annual meeting to present the audited financial statements and for approval of the auditors for (years) (Command By-Laws Art 620 to 624)
    - ✓ One to increase the NL Command per capita tax to \$14.00 from \$12.10 effective for membership payments starting the year 2018
  - ☞ Membership dues: each Branch must submit \$38.06 to Dominion Command for each member (excluding Life Members) this breaks like this:
    - ✓ Legion magazine/Dominion assessment: \$24.06

- ✓ Provincial per capita tax: \$14.00
- ✓ Branch assessment: \$7.00 per member per year
- ✓ Each Branch should collect at least \$45.06 to cover membership dues
- ☞ Membership is losing members every year so each branch is urged to look at past members who have not renewed and try to get them back.
- ☞ Each year all Branches are asked to submit 20% of the balance of their Poppy Trust Fund to the Command Poppy Trust Fund to help Veterans from all across Newfoundland and Labrador. In the past year Command has assisted Veterans, widows and families in towns that do not have a legion near them; this is where the Command fund comes into play.
- ☞ Support the Track and Field fund as the youths truly appreciate the support that the Legion provides for them. All the Branches will receive a letter requesting financial support to the Sir Leonard Outerbridge account; this money CANNOT come from the Poppy Trust Fund.
- ☞ At the Convention we asked for financial contributions to the RCEL and the amount collected was amazing. Here is one story told by Comrade Dave Flannigan: he visited a Veteran facility and was asked to wait until a WW2 Private was ready in his room for inspection. When the man was ready Dave walked in and the 90 year old gentleman was dressed in his army uniform, he saluted Dave and said "Ready for inspection sir". Dave did a quick look and said "Private you have passed inspection". You can make a donation thru NL Command to the RCEL at any time, and the funds can come from the PTF.
- ☞ Comrades, the Provincial Convention is your convention so each Branch should make every effort to send someone to this important event. Not only will you have a voice into who is elected to run NL Command, but you will listen to all the reports, guest speakers and learn something about the legion. The next Convention will be in 2019 so I urge you to ask your executive to set up a fund now to ensure you have the financial means to send a representative.
- ☞ The Poppy Campaign will begin on 27 October 2017, the first poppy will be presented to the Lieutenant Governor at 09:30hrs and the "fly the poppy flag" at the Confederation building at 12:00hrs.
- ☞ Thank you to Comrade Bob Mugford for a great job.
- Comrade George Brown inquired about the mention of the Military Challenge at the Convention to which Provincial Command President Comrade Berkley Lawrence answered that only 2 schools participated this year so if there are no more than that, the project will sadly have to be dropped. What is really sad is that out of 9 High Schools in St-John's only 1 participate in the Literary Contest.
- Comrade Philip Wood was installed as the new District 2 Commander. He thanked Comrade Robert Mugford and looks forward to working with Provincial Command President Comrade Berkley Lawrence, advised all present to give email address and telephone number, thanked Branch 15 for hosting the Opening of the Poppy Campaign and asked Comrade Robert Mugford to complete the TCP Telethon tomorrow.

## 8. Closing

at 11:50hrs Comrade Robert Mugford closed the meeting with the Legion Ritual and the singing of the "Royal Anthem".