

Minutes VIA - Google Meet - Calendar 9:00am - 11:00am October 27, 2023

Committee Mandate: to recognize the value of the contributions made by military personnel, veterans and their families who reside within the city and surrounding communities.

In Attendance - Voting Members

- Alexander Tsang, Edmonton United Services Institute
- Brian Hodgson, CHAIR*
- Dan Derouin, Sturgeon County
- Darren Krill, Community Member
- Dave McRae, Town of Redwater
- Fred Malott, Town of Legal
- Georgette L'Hirondelle, Canada Lands Company
- Jibs Abitoye, City of Fort Saskatchewan
- Kaetlyn Corbould, Community Member*
- Katie Berghofer, Strathcona County

Guests

<u>Military</u>

• LCol Shawn Thompson, CFB Edmonton

Regrets

- Carolyn Patton, Canadian Forces Liaison Council
- Sarah General, HMCS Nonsuch
- Maj Graham Kallos, 408 Tactical Helicopter Squadron
- Haydar Al Dahhan, Edmonton Chamber of Commerce

City of Edmonton Staff/Secretariat

- Natasha Weber
- Pat Kerekes

- Karen Principe, City of Edmonton
- Lacey Laing, Town of Bon Accord
- Laurie Hackett, Community Member
- Lorne Strachan, Community Member
- Mike Killick, City of St. Albert
- Rebecca Balanko, Town of Morinville
- Rick Palfrey, Community Member
- Scott Lundy, Community Member
- Steve Maybee, Edmonton International Airports
- Justin Wright, MLA, GoA Military Liaison
- Rebecca Balanko, Town of Morinville

- Nicole Goehring, Community Member
- Roza Parlin, Military Family Resource Centre
- Mac (Robert) Torrie, Edmonton Legion
- Amber Harris, Town of Gibbons
- Ziad Aboultaif, MP
- Tom McIntyre, Elks

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1.	Call to Order	
	1.1 - Chair Brian Hodgson called the meeting to order at 9:02 am	Meeting called to order at 9:02am
	meeting to order at 9.02 and	Chair opened the Committee's meetings with Land Acknowledgement.
2.	Introductions	
	2.1 Introductions/ Welcome Guests	The Chair welcomed all members in attendance. Noted and thanked:
		 Introductory comments regarding the global situation. We have no guest speakers this month. Introduced Pat Kerekes, City Administration, who will be supporting the committee. B. Hodgson and N. Weber commented on connectivity issues during the last meeting. Noted that their absences will be excused due to connectivity issues.
3.	Determination of Quorum	
	3.1 - Quorum of at least 13 members was confirmed by administration Y/N?	Yes
4.	Approval of Agenda	
	4.1 - Dave McRae MOVED to approve the Agenda for Edmonton Salutes Meetings of October 27, 2023	Carried
5.	Approval of Meeting Minutes	

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	5.1 - Katie Berghofer MOVED to approve the Edmonton Salutes Meeting Minutes from September 22, 2023	Carried Noted that attendance will be adjusted to reflect connectivity issues.
6.	Guest Speaker	
	6.1 - No guest speaker today	
7.	Reports	
	7.1 - Chair Report K. Principe MOVED to approve the Chair's report.	 The Chair provided a verbal report. Key items included: Unable to connect at the last meeting Attended the Global Business Forum in Banff, not representing the ESC but in a different capacity. Understanding what is going on around the world is important. Themes were discussed and some of the presenters were noted. CFLC Reservist Luncheon - Noted the importance and success of the event. Meeting with the Col of Strathcona Light Horse regiment to get an update on the unit. Remembrance Day Ceremonies - Will be attending the one at City Hall Military Cup Golf Tournament - Mentioned where the proceeds went.
	7.2 - Administration Report	 Admin provided a verbal report. Key updates are as follows: Governance Update Members can now serve up to 8 consecutive years (up from 6). Former members must have a 2



7.2 Scott Lundy MOVED to accept the verbal report provided by the administration.	 year break before joining again Must present annually a work plan and resources needed We can continue to have subcommittees through an exemption We are exempt from the attendance, alternate appointment policy and annually appointing chair and co-chair. Chair and Vice Chair Election Process in January. Elections at the next meeting. Forms need to be submitted by November 10, 2023. November 18 RCA Concert at West Ed - we have an option for a booth. Remembrance Day Ceremonies - will send out a list right after this meeting along with dates/times you can pick up a wreath if needed Edmonton Salutes has been invited to an Indigenous Veterans Day Ceremony at City Hall at noon on Nov 8. Budget update - We are doing good. Balance is: \$36,188.80 With funding requests for today and promised funds we are sitting at: \$5,688.80
7.3 - Members/Sector Reports - Military	 LCol Shawn Thompson provided the following update: Soldiers are undergoing individual and collective training (Build phase) Next year several deployments are scheduled for May -Nov, July - Dec, and Dec - June 2025. LCol Shawn Thompson listed the following



	 upcoming events: October 29: NHL Heritage Classic (more information to follow) Nov 3: Veterans Mess Dinner Nov 2-9: Veterans week Nov 15-17: Pride Meetings to discuss and promote diversity Nov 17: Business Luncheon December 11: Holiday Concert (ESC members are invited)
	Commander Sarah General Navy/HMCS Nonsuch sent her regrets. City admin spoke to the following:
	Maj Graham Kallos for Air Force/408 Tactical Helicopter Squadron sent his regrets.
Jibs Abitoye MOVED to accept verbal reports provided by the Military.	Carried.



7.4 Subcommittee Reports	
7.4.1 Strategic Action	No reports from Strategic Action
7.4.2 Budget Subcommittee	Two items for S Maybee to bring forward, which were in the Agenda package:
S. Maybee MOVED to approve the Committee's funding of the A Dance to Remember and Hot Chocolate for the Beechmount Ceremony with No Stone Left Alone.	 Recommendation to fund the A Dance to Remember Gala / No Stone Left Alone - \$7,500 sponsorship Recommendation to support the purchasing of Hot Chocolate for the Beechmount Ceremony with No Stone Left Alone - note this will come out of the Military Liaison Budget with ESC being the face of the sponsorship. Carried. ** Brian Hodgson and Steve Maybee announced that after 31 years that he will be retiring from the Edmonton Airports on Dec 31. Somebody else will get appointed to this Committee before the end of
	the year.
7.4.3 Bylaw and Policy	
	K Corbould they are waiting for the bylaw changes requested to include Morinville as one of the members. At their next meeting they will be discussing that the organizations ESC is supporting through funds and attendance are aligning with the committee's mandate.
7.4.4 Membership & Orientation Subcommittee	L. Strachan asked administration to complete attendance for the last year of meetings. This is not to be punitive, but to see how the committee can engage with members who may be struggling



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		to attend.
	F. Malott MOVED to accept verbal reports and updates provided by the Subcommittee chairs.	Carried
7.5	Other Reports	
		 A. Tsang asked if anyone from the ESC wanted to speak about their Military experience at a couple of school events on Nov 3 and Nov 10. Let him know. The following municipal representatives noted their re-appointment: Councillor Principe with City of Edmonton Councillor Berghofer with Strathcona County Councillor Killick with St. Albert Mayor McRae with Redwater Councillor Balanko with Morinville K. Berghofer announced an event being hosted by Strathcona County at Millenium Place - Military Appreciation on November 11. D. Derouin from Sturgeon County shared about a meeting he attended regarding an initiative to find a location for Last Post / Military museum. The Villeneuve Airport may be a potential location. D. McRae He attended the swearing of the eight newest members of the Canadian Military - he was a proud father of one of them. M. Killick mentioned an event that he attended with the St. Albert Legion # 271 and raised their flag both as Deputy Mayor and representing Edmonton Salutes. He will do poppy sales. He has been engaged in the Nov

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		 11 planning of activities with the Legion. He will be speaking at the launching of Cadet Week in Sl. Albert on Nov 2 to welcome and recognize the cadets and their work. R. Balanko noted a Military History Living Library will take place on Nov 3rd from 1:00 - 3:00 pm and 6:00 - 8:00 pm - a very unique experience and very well attended. Link will be sent.
8.	New Business	
		Chair, B. Hodgson noted that the committee needs to discuss and motion next meeting how to spend any remaining funds in the budget. Ideas noted for discussion included the Veterans Association Food Bank and EUSI. However, the funds EUSI need will be for next year so A. Tsang will submit a request for next year.
9.	Next Meeting	
	9.1 Next Meeting	November 24, 2023 - Virtual All attendees will vote on chair and vice chair nominations.
10.	Adjournment	
	K. Corbould MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 10:07 a.m.	Carried. Meeting ended at 10:07 a.m.
 Upcoming Committee Meetings: November 24, 2023 December 8, 2023 - Volunteer appreciation lunch (will be a meeting if needed) 		