



# Edmonton Salutes

Agenda

Virtual - Google Meet - Connection Link Below

9:00am - 11:00am

April 26, 2024

**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.

**Virtual Meeting Information:**

Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/ixc-qaih-bui>

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<b>Item</b>	<b>To Speak</b>
1. Call to Order .....	Chair
2. Introductions and Housekeeping.....	Chair
3. Determination of Quorum .....	City Admin
4. Approval of Agenda .....	Chair
5. Approval of March 22, 2024 Meeting Minutes.....	Chair
6. Guest Speaker(s)..... Darryn Gray, Lord Strathcona's Horse (Royal Canadians)	
7. Reports	
7.1. Chair Report .....	Chair
7.2. Administration Report .....	City Admin
7.3. Members/Sector Reports .....	CAF
7.4. Subcommittee Reports.....	Subcommittee Chairs
7.5. Other Reports .....	All
8. New Business .....	Chair/ All
9. Next Meeting.....	Chair
10. Adjournment .....	Chair

**Upcoming events (See [Calendar](#) for all Events):**

- May 11:
  - [MFRC Yellow Ribbon Gala](#)

**Attachments** (and included below):

- March 22, 2024 Meeting Minutes



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Minutes - **DRAFT**

VIA - Google Meet - Calendar

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March 22, 2024

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### In Attendance - Voting Members

- Alex Tsang
- Brian Hodgson, Chair
- Dan Derouin
- Darren Krill
- David Mcrae
- Dean Ervin
- Georgette L'Hirondelle
- Justin Wright
- Kaetlyn Corbould
- Karen Principe
- Lacey Laing
- Laurie Hackett
- Lorne Strachan
- Mike Killick
- Nicole Goehring
- Rebecca Balanko
- Rick Palfrey
- Roza Parlin
- Scott Lundy
- Terianne Bowyer

### Guests

- Thomas Sands, RCAF 700 Wing
- Cpt Aaron Niles, RCAF
- Military
- LCol Shawn Thompson, CFB Edmonton

### City of Edmonton Staff/Secretariat

- Julie Elford
- Megan Tam

### Regrets

- Katie Berghofer, Strathcona County (in Ottawa for a Board of Directors' meeting)
- Sarah General, HMCS Nonsuch
- Haydar Al Dahhan, Edmonton Chamber of Commerce
- Maj Graham Kallos, 408 Tactical Helicopter Squadron
- Mac (Robert) Torrie, Edmonton Legion
- Ziad Aboultaif, MP

Item	Agenda Item	Action
1.	Call to Order	
	1.1 - Chair Brian Hodgson called the meeting to order at 9:06am	Meeting called to order at 9:06am Chair opened the Committee's meetings with Land Acknowledgement.
2.	Introductions	
	2.1 Introductions/ Welcome Guests	The Chair welcomed all members in attendance. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Condolences to Mac Torrie <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Vicky Torrie's memorial is at Kingsway Legion on April 3</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Today we have members joining us from RCAF to do a presentation: 1) Aaron Niles 2) Thomas Sand</li> </ul>
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 - MOVED to approve the modified Agenda for Edmonton Salutes Meeting of March 22, 2024	Moved by K. Corbould. Carried
5.	Approval of Meeting Minutes	
	5.1 - MOVED to approve the Edmonton Salutes Meeting Minutes from February 23, 2024	Moved by A. Tsang. Carried.
6.	Guest Speaker	
	6.1 - Guest Speakers: Captain Aaron Niles, RCAF Canada Thomas Sand, Chair RCAF 700 Wing	<b>Captain Niles</b> presents on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Trees for Life initiative: <a href="https://www.treesforlife.ca/">https://www.treesforlife.ca/</a> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ those who are interested can contact Aaron Niles</li> </ul> </li> <li>• RCAF Centennial: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ <a href="https://rcaf2024arc.ca/">https://rcaf2024arc.ca/</a></li> <li>◦ <a href="https://rcaf2024arc.ca/about-us/illustrations/">https://rcaf2024arc.ca/about-us/illustrations/</a></li> </ul> </li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <a href="https://rcaf2024arc.ca/about-us/trees-for-heroes/">https://rcaf2024arc.ca/about-us/trees-for-heroes/</a></li> <li>● Email contact about these initiatives: <a href="mailto:aaron.niles@forces.gc.ca">aaron.niles@forces.gc.ca</a></li> </ul> <p><b>Tom Sand</b> presents on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <a href="#">Presentation</a> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Currently 65 members in the 700 Wing</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Email contact: <a href="mailto:700WingRCAFA@gmail.com">700WingRCAFA@gmail.com</a></li> <li>● <a href="#">RCAF 100th Anniversary Dinner</a> on April 13: Guest Speaker is the Air Force historian. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ ESC has sponsored and will have a table</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
7.	Reports	
	<p>7.1 - Chair Report</p> <p>MOVED to accept the verbal report provided by the Chair of the Committee.</p>	<p>The Chair provided a verbal report. Key items included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Events attended: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ EUSI seminar and mess dinner on March 9</li> <li>○ Third Canadian Div. disaster planning exercise</li> <li>○ 408 Business Luncheon on March 15</li> <li>○ 106th Anniversary Battle of Moreuil Wood Daytime event and Ball on March 21</li> <li>○ MFRC Open House on March 21</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Upcoming Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ RCAF 100th Anniversary Dinner on April 13</li> <li>○ MFRC Yellow Ribbon Gala on May 11</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Brian presented Membership Report on March 8 to Edmonton City Council: Scott Lundy and Kaet Corbould were reappointed</li> </ul> <p>Carried.</p>
	<p>7.2 Administration Report</p> <p>MOVED to accept the verbal report provided by admin.</p>	<p>Admin provided a verbal report. Key updates are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● To build off the presentations - April 1st High Level Bridge has been lit blue for the RCAF centennial. City will make a post and folks can share to amplify it in their networks</li> <li>● Budget update: We are doing good. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>\$57,130</b> remaining of total</li> </ul> </li> <li>● 2023 Final Report and 2024 Work Plan will be submitted <b>April 17th</b> and will be presented to the Committee of Council on <b>May 14th, 2024</b></li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Strategic planning meeting dates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 2025-2028 Work Plan meeting will be held <b>June 7th</b>, 9 a.m - 10:30 a.m.</li> <li>○ Calendar invitation has been sent.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● In-person meetings for the year: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ May 2024 - Katie Berghofer has offered to host at Strathcona County - this will be a hybrid meeting and ESC will send out additional information before the meeting (parking, building access, etc)</li> <li>○ <b>Katie has requested those who are coming on the 24th to please bring forward ideas on how Strathcona County can respectfully add a permanent feature to their infrastructure to acknowledge and show respect for veterans and active members.</b> They had a previous motion to paint a poppy on a crosswalk. However, the poppy should not be driven or walked on.</li> <li>○ Dean Ervin at the EIA offered to host (September)</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Carried.</p>
	<p>7.3 - Members/Sector Reports - Military</p> <p>MOVED to accept the verbal reports provided by the Military.</p>	<p>Updates provided by:</p> <p><b>Lieutenant-Colonel Shawn Thompson</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Hosted MLA Wright last week. He met with the base commander and members of our team.</li> <li>● The Lord Strathcona House celebrated the 16th anniversary of the battle of Moreuil Wood with their parade and dinner.</li> <li>● Ramping up For What the Army calls the “committed phase” of the managed rightness plan, where they manage the rotation through operational deployments.</li> <li>● Will see Royal Canadian artillery beginning to deploy as part of operation impact next month and that's focused on positions in Iraq, Jordan and Lebanon.</li> <li>● <b>In June</b>, the Laurie's Strathcona horse will deploy a squadron on operation reassurance in Latvia.</li> <li>● Also in June will begin deploying on Operation Unifiers - essentially a mission to assist training of Ukrainian forces.</li> <li>● Recruitment updates:</li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ personnel shortfalls: currently approx. 80% of positions are filled; technician level staff are about 60-70%</li> <li>○ 15-20% of the Canadian Brigade coming from reserve units</li> </ul> <p><b>Lieutenant Sarah General for Navy/HMCS Nonsuch</b> not in attendance</p> <p><b>Maj Graham Kallos for Air Force / 408 Tactical Helicopter Squadron</b> not in attendance</p> <p>L. Hackett moved the sector report. Carried.</p>
	<p>7.4 Subcommittee Reports</p> <p>7.4.1 Strategic Action</p> <p>7.4.2 Budget Subcommittee</p> <p>7.4.3 Bylaw and Policy</p> <p>7.4.4 Membership and Orientation</p>	<p>No reports from Strategic Action</p> <p>No reports from Budget</p> <p>No reports from Bylaw and Policy</p> <p>Reports from Membership and Orientation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Upcoming orientation on the 27th</li> <li>● Working on membership lists</li> <li>● Process for inviting guests to committee</li> </ul> <p>Carried.</p>
7	<p>7.5 Other reports</p> <p>MOVED to accept the verbal report provided by sector.</p>	<p><b>Councillor Principe:</b> nothing to report</p> <p><b>Community Members:</b> nothing to report</p> <p><b>Municipal Members</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Megan reported on behalf of Cllr Katie Berghofer</li> </ul> <p><b>Sector Reports:</b> nothing to report</p> <p>Carried.</p>
8.0	New Business	

	8.1 No new business	No new business
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10.	Adjournment	
	10.1 MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 10:05am	Carried. Meeting ended at 10:05 a.m.
<b>Upcoming Committee Meetings:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• April 26, 2024 - virtual</li> </ul>		