

Edmonton Salutes

Minutes

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9:00am - 11:00am

March 28, 2025

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.

Voting Member Attendance

- Jon Dziadyk, Edmonton United Services Institute
- Willis Kozak, Town of Gibbons
- Brian Hodgson, CHAIR*
- Dan Derouin, Sturgeon County
- (Vacant), Community Member
- Dave McRae, Town of Redwater
- Dean Ervin, Edmonton Regional Airports Authority
- Fred Malott, Town of Legal
- Georgette L'Hirondelle, Canada Lands Company
- Heather Thomson, Edmonton Chamber of Commerce
- Jibs Abitoye, City of Fort Saskatchewan
- Justin Wright, MLA, GoA Military Liaison
- Kaetlyn Corbould, Community Member
- Karen Principe, City of Edmonton
- Katie Berghofer, Strathcona County
- Lacey Laing, Town of Bon Accord
- Laurie Hackett, Community Member
- Lorne Strachan, Community Member
- Mac (Robert) Torrie, Edmonton Legion
- Mark Humphreys, Canadian Forces Liaison Council
- Mike Killick, City of St. Albert
- Nicole Goehring, Community Member
- Rebecca Balanko, Town of Morinville
- Rick Palfrey, Community Member
- Roza Parlin, Military Family Resource Centre

Military Guests

- Maj. Graham Kallos, 408 Tactical Helicopter Squadron
- Lieut. Christopher Favrin, HMCS Nonsuch
- Lt.-Col. Al Wong, CFB Edmonton

Other Guests

City of Edmonton Staff/Secretariat

- Julie Elford
- Clare Muruatetu



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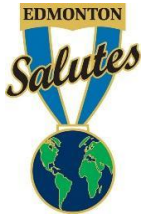
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Item	Agenda Item	Action
1.	Call to Order	
	1.1 - Chair B. Hodgson called the meeting to order at 9:07am	Meeting called to order at 9:00am The Chair opened the Committee's meeting with a Land Acknowledgement.
2.	Introductions	
	2.1 - Introductions/ Welcome Guests	The Chair welcomed all members in attendance. Noted and thanked guest: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lieutenant-Colonel Mike Veitch
3.	Determination of Quorum	
	3.1 - Quorum of at least 14 members was confirmed by administration Y/N?	Yes
4.	Approval of Agenda	
	4.1 - MOVED to approve the Agenda for Edmonton Salutes Meeting of March 28, 2025	Carried
5.	Approval of Meeting Minutes	
	5.1 - L. Hackett MOVED to approve the Edmonton Salutes Meeting Minutes from February 28, 2025	Carried
6.	Guest Speaker	



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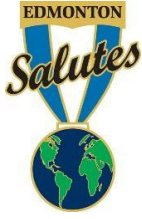
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	<p>6.1 - Lieutenant-Colonel Mike Veitch</p>	<p>Key presentation and discussion points included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The strength of the Combat team is 450 positions. ● Turnover of engineers to the civilian side is not as prevalent as in the past, which is something they are monitoring. ● Increased funding is nuanced and focused on projects to bring new equipment and bridges online, with the aim of increasing capability overseas and at home. ● The Reservist program has a great community. ● Tariffs and potential risks were discussed, with the understanding that implications are at a higher level, not the local level.
<p>7.</p>	<p>Reports</p>	
	<p>7.1 - Chair Report</p> <p>A. Abitoye 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"> ● 408 Squadron Business Luncheon - March 14 ● 6 Intelligence Company (Link) Dinner - March 15 ● Lord Strathcona - Moureil Wood Parade - March 20 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ commemorating the <i>107th Anniversary of the Battle of Moreuil Wood</i> ● Continued contact with LCol Alan Mulawyshyn ● Annual Report and Work Plan presentation, and Membership Report to council went well - March 10 & 12 ● Memo is being prepared to address Council questions (How many members of the Edmonton Garrison were deployed in 2024?) <p>Carried.</p>
	<p>7.2 - Administration Report</p>	<p>Admin provided a verbal report. Key updates are as</p>



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follows:

- Upcoming Events:
 - April 11 - Guthrie School - Teal Up Days 2025 - Edmonton Salutes Committee (ESC) will have a table.
 - May 4 - 80th Anniversary Liberation - Light Horse Park, Edmonton.
- Meetings:
 - In-person meeting update: September location options were discussed (Jefferson Armoury, Airport, Legion). A poll will be conducted in April to determine the location.
 - The last in-person meeting was hosted by Katie at Strathcona County.
 - Meeting Schedule: Email sent listing all upcoming meeting dates. The June meeting at MFRC will start at 9:30 am and will be a hybrid meeting (Teams).
 - Process for Missing Meetings: Bylaw 18156 outlines the process for members missing three consecutive meetings. Chair and Vice Chair will be notified if two consecutive meetings are missed without prior discussion.
- HMCS Edmonton Update: Commander Smith provided an update on the change of command.
- HMCS Nonsuch: Change of Command Ceremony on April 26, 2025.
- Annual Planning: Planning for 2026 is underway, including the selection of a new chair and potential changes to sub-committees.
- Budget update: Current balance is \$54,303.
- Action Items:
 - Teal Up reminder to RSVP to Roza.
 - Confirm the table with the Principal for Teal Up Day.
 - Change meeting notes to differentiate

R. Torrie MOVED to accept the verbal report provided by the admin.



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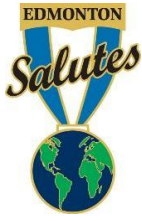
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		<p>regrets/unexplained absence.</p> <p>Carried.</p>
	<p>7.3 - COE Councillor Report</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 408 Squadron Business Luncheon was attended. ● Appreciation was expressed to Jon Dziadyk for informing the committee of Alex's service; the ESC was well represented. ● Attendance at Teal Up Day is planned. ● April 4th Employer Reservist event will be attended. ● A Bylaw change is expected in the fall. ● Attendance at the May 4th Light Horse Park Event is planned. ● Appreciation was expressed to the Chair for the presentations. ● Interest was expressed in social events outside of regular meetings, held in the evening.
	<p>7.4 - Members/Sector Reports - Military</p>	<p>Updates provided by:</p> <p>Lt.-Col. Alfred Wong for CFB:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Lt.-Col. Al Wong, CFB Edmonton: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Deployments are ongoing. ○ Milestone April 1st: Transition of the 13 support base. ○ Flag raising ceremony April 3rd: Open for all to attend, invite to follow from Al. ○ More deployments are scheduled for May. ○ Tariffs are increasing costs for supplies, accounted for in their budget. ○ Change in command: July 2nd, Col. xxx. ○ This will be Al Wong's last meeting. ●



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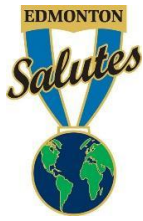
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<p>R. Torrie MOVED to accept the verbal reports provided by the Military.</p>	<p>Lieut. Christopher Favrin for Navy/HMCS Nonsuch:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Change in command on April 26th. ● Expect to receive an invitation to the ceremony. ● Battle of Atlantic on May 4th. ● Connect any interested members. <p>Maj Graham Kallos for Air Force / 408 Tactical Helicopter Squadron:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● N/A <p>Carried.</p>
<p>7.5 - Subcommittee Reports membership list</p> <p>7.5.1 - Strategic Action</p> <p>7.5.2 - Budget Subcommittee</p>	<p>Reports from Strategic Action (Report by R. Palfrey)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Will work on Annual Strategic Plan moving forward. <p>No reports from Budget.</p> <p>Comments: TOR Review by Feb 2025 - ensure any grants that go out are in line with City policies. No Alcohol etc. No tobacco (exceptions can be made for ceremonial purposes) non-protocol tobacco</p> <p>Other City Funding - add this to the funding request form</p>



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	<p>7.5.3 - Bylaw and Policy</p> <p>7.5.4 - Membership and Orientation</p> <p>R. Balanko and F. Malott MOVED to accept the report provided by the Budget and Funding subcommittee.</p>	<p>No reports from Bylaw and Policy.</p> <p>Membership and Orientation Updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Reviewed - Membership Bios refresh - update on moodle● Reviewing subject matter on Canadian Armed Forces● Virtual Meeting Processes● Archiving Process● Elections for subcommittee chair to be updated <p>Carried.</p>
7	7.6 - Other reports	<p>Community Members</p> <p>Update on the Pictures shared by Mark Humphreys on the 60 Anniversary of Liberation of Holland: Mark is traveling and asked us to send his regrets for missing today's meeting. However he would like to let the committee know that the photos are available for you to use and share as needed. The main ceremony was located at Het Loo Palace in Apeldoorn in the Netherlands (This was known as the hunting lodge/palace). The ceremonial picture includes the plaque presentation to the governor general of Canada: Adrienne Clarkson in 2005. If you need any context or descriptions, please reach out to him.</p>



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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - May 14th Vet Guitar Open House - Acoustic Guitar Jam. Lorne to share more information for the admin to share. - Roza to share one pager in April the month of the military child. Admin to share with committee. Welcome to wear Teal Up T-shirts. - Roza to share out the info for buying a Teal Up T-shirt. - Highlevel Bridge will be lighted up for Teal Up Day.
8.0	New Business	
	8.1 - No new business	None
9.0.	Next Meeting	
	9.1 - Next Meeting	April 25, 2025
10.	Adjournment	
	10.1 - F. Malott MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 10:20 AM	Carried. Meeting ended at 10:20 AM

Upcoming Committee Meetings:

- April 25, 2025
- May 23, 2025
- June 27, 2025
- September 26, 2025
- October 24, 2025
- November 28, 2025