

Minutes DRAFT VIA - Google Meet - Calendar 9:00 - 10:30 A.M. June 24, 2022

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

- Brian Hodgson, CHAIR
- Wes Brodhead, City of St. Albert
- Nicole Goehring, Community Member
- Laurie Hackett, Community Member
- Darren Krill, Community Member
- Dave McRae, Town of Redwater
- Carolyn Patton, Canadian Forces Liaison Council
- Alexandra Hryciw, Edmonton Chamber of Commerce
- Katie Berghofer, Strathcona County

Guests

<u>Military</u>

- Maj. Phil Paradis, CFB Edmonton
- Capt David Parker, 408 Tactical Helicopter Squadron
- L Cdr Leslie Yewer-Stacey, HMCS Nonsuch

Regrets

- L Col Harpal Mandaher, CFB Edmonton
- Fred Malott, Town of Legal
- Steve Maybee, Edmonton International Airports
- Brad Rutherford, Chief Government Whip, Government of Alberta Military Liaison to the Canadian Armed Forces

City of Edmonton Staff/Secretariat

Sarah Paterson Natasha Weber

- Roza Parlin, Military Family Resource Centre
- Karen Principe, City of Edmonton
- Lorne Strachan, Community Member
- Mac (Robert) Torrie, Edmonton Legion
- Justin Yaassoub, Community Member
- Alexander Tsang, Edmonton United Services Institute
- Marvin Neumann, Canada Lands Co.
- Lacey Laing, Town of Bon Accord
- Scott Lundy, Community Member

<u>Government</u>

- Sebastian Farkas, Assistant to MLA Brad Rutherford, Government of Alberta Military Liaison to the Canadian Armed Forces
 - Kaetlyn Corbould, Community Member
 - Amber Harris, Town of Gibbons
 - Lisa Makin, City of Fort Saskatchewan
 - Dan Derouin, Sturgeon County



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ltem	Agenda Item	Action
1.	Call to Order	
	1.1 - Chair Brian Hodgson called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.	
2.	Introductions	
	Introduction/Welcome Guests	Introduced Alex Hryciw and Maj. Phil Paradis and asked the committee to do a roundtable of introductions.
3.	Determination of Quorum	
	3.1 - Quorum of at least 12 members was confirmed by Natasha Weber Y/N?	Yes
4.	Approval of Agenda	
	4.1 - L. Strachan MOVED to approve the Agenda for Edmonton Salutes Meeting of June 24, 2022.	Carried
5.	Approval of Meeting Minutes	
	5.1 - N. Goehring MOVED to approve the Edmonton Salutes Meeting Minutes from May 27, 2022.	Carried
6.	Reports	
	6.1 - Chair Report - Chair Brian Hodgson	 Chair provided a verbal report. Key action items were identified as follows: Recruitment: Lorne onboarded Alex Hryciw, ESC's new representative on behalf of the Edmonton Chamber Attended several events on behalf of ESC: Military Networking Lunch,



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W. Brodhead MOVED to accept verbal report of Chair for information	 MFRC Gala, 408 Squadron Events, Lt Governor's Platinum Jubilee, and Churchill Annual Banquet - unable to attend. Did follow up with General Wynnyck, asking for a recording of his presentation Reminded Members to bring forward possible guest speakers for future meetings Indicated that the Vice Chair Role Description is coming forward today for approval Carried
6.2 - Administration Report - Natasha Weber	 Administration provided a verbal report. Key items included: Freedom of the City Request from 41 Service Battalion - confirmed October 22, 2022 date, 11 - 1 p.m Building a guest list and reconvening internal city staff to continue the planning. Question asked about the name and whether we are concerned with it being associated with other Freedom movements. Can we rename it? Many members noted that the name and ceremony are very historic. <u>History</u> - from Roman times - granted by the Caesar of the day - paying homage to those who have served Symbolic of the trust that the people of the city HMCS Edmonton Visit - City Administration is exploring the idea of hosting a visit in 2022. Confirmed that the K Days parade is not happening this year. Have ordered business cards for the



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S. Lundy MOVED to accept verbal report	 Chair. Admin is exploring other options for ESC members to be identified at events, such as name tags. Still looking for responses: Inventory of military scholarships available to build a resource page (Darren/Strategic Action to report more on this) A request for updated profiles of all the committee members, to include in the Orientation package Carried
provided by Administration. 6.3 - Members/Sector Reports - Military	 Maj. Paradis provided a verbal report for the Military. Key items included: Mess lunches and dinners are happening again. Last one included elected officials from Morinville. Looking at a transition - Wainwright will become an independent base Edmonton will be under its own commander The Military recognizes that the ESC is a valuable resource to connect to local organizations and communities Summer transitions are underway and exercises will start again in the Fall. Troops expected to return Oct/Nov Emergency response - keeping an eye on Calgary and the bow river. Also watching in case fire fighting response is required Captain David Parker provided a verbal report for the 408 Tactical Helicopter Squadron. Key Items included:



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D. McRae MOVED to accept verbal report provided by the Military	
6.4 - Subcommittee Reports 6.4 (a) Strategic Action Subcommittee	 Subcommittee reports were as follows: <u>Strategic Action</u> Strategic Action Subcommittee Chair, D. Krill updated the committee on the work of the Subcommittee, as follows: Next Steps in Military Tattoo The purpose is to increase prominence and recognition of contributions of CAF members and veterans in the Edmonton area The subcommittee thinks it is a good idea in concept, but there are questions about timing and
	 Subcommitty interest Subcommittee will need to scope out the many details through a feasibility study before proceeding Brian has volunteered to seek out funding for a feasibility study - outside of ESC budget Next steps include Brian meeting with potential partners for money for the feasibility study Members discussed and asked the following questions: Will there be any cost to ESC? Brian may have to return to the committee if funding can not be secured



D. Krill MOVED to pursue funding for a	 2. What is the approximate cost for the tattoo event a. Will need to be determined through feasibility study. Multiple funding partners would need to be engaged for the event. ESC will make presentations as necessary. Other logistics to consider were noted: a. Grants, corporate sponsorship, funding for all levels of government b. \$+500,000 suggested for event c. \$ 30-40,000 for feasibility study d. Feasibility study can also include multiple partners e. Military capacity and cost will need to be considered.
feasibility study for the Military Tattoo.	
	 CFLC Lunch and Learn The subcommittee endorsed the idea of the CFLC Lunch and Learn and recommends the Committee, with approval from the Funding Subcommittee, sponsor the event. Carolyn provided details to the event Purpose: high awareness of reservists and military Business audience and key speaker(s) Looking at September 22, 2022 Ticketed event - with a sponsor, portion could be donation to MFRC
D. Krill MOVED to approve the sponsorship of the CFLC Lunch and Learn event, and will defer approval of the amount of sponsorship funding to the Funding Subcommittee.	Carried (Roza Parlin abstained)



6.4 (b) Membership and Orientation Subcommittee (no meeting)	 Membership and Orientation Subcommittee: Membership and Orientation Subcommittee Chair L. Strachan updated the committee on the work of the Membership and Orientation Subcommittee, as follows: Used Moodle to conduct orientation for new member from the Chamber, Alex Hryciw
6.4 (c) Budget Subcommittee (no meeting)	Nothing to report
6.4 (d) Bylaw and Policy Subcommittee	 Bylaw and Policy Subcommittee Bylaw & Policy Subcommittee Chair R. Torrie updated the committee on the work of the Subcommittee, as follows: Subcommittee is seeking approval on the following policy documents: Vice Chair Role Description - new document that outlines the role of the vice chair, including what happens if the chair is unable to fulfill his/her duties. Event Attendance Policy - New policy that gives the committee and administration guidance on how and who to offer tickets to events. Expense Policy - Updated policy that specifies in more detail the types of expenses that members can claim. Chair Election Process - Minor updates were made to reflect the changes at the city and to remove reference to specific dates.



R. Torrie MOVED to approve the Vice Chair Role Description	VICE CHAIR role - Carried as is
R. Torrie MOVED to approve the Event Attendance Policy	EVENT ATTENDANCE POLICY - carried as is
R. Torrie MOVED to approve the Expense Policy	EXPENSE POLICY - carried as is
R. Torrie MOVED to approve the Chair Election Process Document	CHAIR ELECTION POLICY - carried as is
R. Torrie MOVED to accept verbal reports of Subcommittees for information	Carried
6.5 Other Reports	Lorne Strachan - Noted an upcoming <u>golf</u> <u>tournament for Veterans Association Food</u> <u>Bank</u> on June 29th.
	Katie Berghofer - Noted that she attended golf tournament. Would like to think more about what Strathcona County could do to participate in Military Tattoo
	Karen Principe - Attended the Churchill Society event.
	Sebastian Farkas - Reporting on behalf of Minister Rutherford who attended <u>Seamless</u> <u>Canada</u> (An organization that supports military posting transitions for members and families) AGM in Ottawa.
	 AB government is updating a <u>website</u> with information on military veteran supports, expected Fall 2022. Also includes Military and military family scholarships from Advanced Education A link will be made available for Edmonton Salutes website
	Carolyn Patton - attended 41 Brigade change of command in Calgary.



		 Outgoing Col Mike Vernon transferred to incoming Col Chris Hunt. Justin Yaassoub - noted a Canadian business creates military apparel if anyone was interested. <u>https://sectorsevenindustries.ca/</u> A number of members noted the Canada Day events they will be attending. They are listed below the minutes.
7.	New Business	
	7.1 New Business	Mac Torrie noted that the next Bylaw Subcommittee meeting is scheduled for September 13 at the Kingsway legion.
8.	Next Meeting	
	 8.1 Summer break? S. Lundy MOVED to adjourn for the summer and meet again as a committee in September 8.2 Virtual Meetings 	Chair proposed that the committee break for July and August. Next meeting was scheduled for September 30, 2022, however to honour National Day for Truth and Reconciliation- a new date will be done through a poll. Next meeting will be virtual. Carried Chair opened the floor to discuss if committee wants to, in the fall, meet virtually, in person or hybrid?



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		Members discussed options and asked for the City Administration to conduct a poll over the summer for preferences.
9.	Adjournment	
	9.1 - R. Torrie MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 10:40 a.m	Carried. Meeting ended at 10:40 a.m.
 Upcoming Events: Veterans Association Foodbank – Edmonton 1st Annual Charity Golf Tournament July 29th 2022 Edmonton Garrison Memorial Golf & Curling Club <u>https://birdease.com/13877</u> Canada Day Events and Locations: 		
 Kingsway <u>legion</u> - Pancake Breakfast and pig roast <u>GOA</u> Canada Day event at the Legislature Edmonton Garrison Canada Day celebration <u>City of Edmonton</u> Canada Day and Fireworks 		
 Upcoming Committee Meetings: Next ESC meeting will be held in the Fall - Date TBD by poll. 		