



CN PENSIONER ASSOCIATION FRASER VALLEY CHAPTER E9

Minutes of CN Pensioners Association Fraser Valley Meeting

Date: Wednesday Sept 13, 2023

Location: Church in the Valley 23589 Old Yale Road Langley BC

Meeting Called to Order @ 1:05 PM

Meeting started with: The Lord's Prayer read by: Steve Mihell

Membership Report: read by Steve Mihell

New Members: Richard McCarty

Members that have passed: Louis Tejml, Galdino Berti, Roy Trask

Non Members that have passed: Alex Maslove

Sick Members: NIL

Total Members: 669

Steve also took a minute to acknowledge the hard work of first responders fighting fires in the province over the summer.

Minutes of May and June meetings: Read by Barry Jones

Motion to accept the minutes as read: Curly Pegg, Seconded Jim Smith.

Attendance: 32 members,

Financial Report covering June, July and August read by: Joey Valliers-Jorgensen

Monthly Balance as of Sept 11, 2023: \$6345.24

Income \$ 9510.66

Expenses \$ 10642.64

Balance as of August 31, 2023: \$5213.26

O/S Cheques \$495.50

Actual Balance \$4717.76

Term Deposit GF Financial \$5564.25

Maturing July 10/2024

Interest rate 4.5% per annum



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Motion to accept financial report: Doug Klivert, second Ross Dewar

Joey Valliers-Jorgenson then gave us an update on revenues from the summer BBQ

Catering \$3533.63

Hall rental \$305.00

Costs: \$3838.63

Ticket Sales \$1840.00 - \$40.00 refunded to Lorry and Wendy Douglass = \$1800.00

Total Costs (\$3838.63 - \$1800.00) = \$2038.63

Proceeds from the Quilt Raffle totalled \$591.00

Opening remarks: Barry Jones

Barry gave an update on CN Family days, including a Letter from Megan Friesen thanking the CNPA for helping out to make it a good event. There was some discussion regarding the registration process and it was generally agreed that this needed to be simplified.

Al Vodden advised of a new Newsletter feature called Spotlight available on the national website. Steve to arrange to provide a link on CNPA web page.

Barry read a report from the CNPA government affairs representative Tim Urbanovitch regarding activities affecting our members in BC. These included an affordable housing initiative in Delta, Seniors housing in Victoria, Ozempic costs covered by Medavie, and mental health outreach being made available for those affected by the fires.

Barry gave an update on initiatives by CN and UP for servicing UP locomotives at CN shops and conducting bio diesel fuel tests. These to be completed by the end of 2023, as well as CN locomotive fleet enhancement - the locomotive fleet is to be enhanced by the end of the year with 110 Wabtec Dash 9s which will be modified to AC units with trip optimizer, locotrol and other enhancements.

Barry also advised on negative changes to the Handydart service, and will bring a petition to the next meeting for those interested in taking action against the changes.

Steve gave a Cosco report advising a Stay on the Road seminar is available in October. The link will be added to the website, along with a link to the Peoples Law School website.



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Old Business: The buffet is coming back to the Fraser Downs Racetrack in Cloverdale, and we are considering planning on a race day again, depending on what days the buffet is available, and the level of interest generated by this event.

New Business: Cecil Ericksen noted that Revenue Canada has an issue with the Medavie statement as it does not itemize the information to their satisfaction. If this becomes an ongoing issue, we will have to discuss with Blake Olssen and CN Pensions to initiate changes.

Meeting Adjourned at 1:50pm by Doug Klivert.

50/50 Draw Winner: Jim Smith - \$75.00

Door Prize Winner: Keith Dyrda \$25.00 Gift Card

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