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Kingston Region Division
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**Minutes General Meeting, January 16, 2007
Smitty's Restaurant – 2376 Princess St. Kingston, On.**

1. **ATTENDANCE:** 20 active
2. **CALL TO ORDER:** 1900 hrs
3. **WELCOME BY THE PRESIDENT:** President Bob commended all for the fine turnout of members
4. **INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:** President Bob introduced Lorne Hall, Toronto Vets, who gave a presentation on the RCMP Members Disability Pension covering eligibility, services and benefits. President Bob thanked Lorne for attending our meeting and providing valuable information regarding RCMP Members Disability Pension. Lorne welcomes anyone to contact him personally if they have any questions regarding this topic – telephone (905) 450-2261 email rhallrn@sympatico.ca
5. **MINUTES OF November 21, 2006 MEETING:** There being no errors or omissions to the minutes they were adopted as presented.
6. **CORRESPONDENCE:**
Benefit Trust Fund – application procedures policy
FSNA – On Guard – Winter Newsletter
Letter from Bill Bishop – Cdn Red Ensign at Vimy
email – Quarterly – Grants to Beneficiaries
National President's Newsletter – Dec 06
Montreal Division RCMP VA Newsletters – NOV & DEC, 2006
7. **TREASURER'S REPORT: Copy attached. Tom Petch**
2007 dues remain at \$40.00. Financial statement adopted and Treasurer reports our Division financially solvent. President Bob emphasized a minimum operating base of \$5000.00 is required.

8. DIRECTORS REPORTS:

SOCIAL

Wine & Cheese event at Jim Stephenson's in December was well received. Thirty five members, associate members and guests attended the function. Judging by the number of people around the banquet table and the volume of conversation, it would be safe to say that everyone enjoyed themselves.

President Bob presented Service Pins c/w Service Bars to Gene Montgomery – 15 yrs., Gary Coulter – 15 yrs., Bill Rowan – 10 yrs., Mike Clarabut – 5 yrs., Ed Wiseman – 5 yrs., Dick Dickins – 5 yrs., Rick Lee – 5 yrs. and Dave Sandy – 5 yrs.

President Bob thanked the Stephenson's for hosting the event.

The President thanked everyone for coming and wished everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Monthly breakfast gathering at Bud's on the Bay, Brockville is being well attended. Jim Stephenson(Jane), Jack Hickman, Vern Coburn and President Bob from Kingston attended the 12 DEC 06 Breakfast.

President Bob presented a Life Membership Certificate to Pete Johnson c/w Service Pin and Service Bar – 10 yrs. Service Pins c/w Service Bars to Dick Young – 20 yrs., Pat MacPhee – 15 yrs., Rob Elston – 5 yrs., Bob King – 5 yrs. and Alex Stilwell – 5 yrs.

2007 Social Calendar discussion with final proposals to be brought forward at next general meeting in Gananoque 17 FEB 07, particulars to follow.

Formal Dinner Dance has been confirmed for 2 Nov 07 at Glen House Resort...

Wine & Cheese – Jim Stephenson – 9 Dec 07

MEMBERSHIP: Jim Stephenson – nothing to report

EAST: Dick Dickens - No report. Breakfast meeting at Bud's on the Bay Restaurant, Brockville at 9:00AM second Tuesday of each month. All welcome.

WEST: Rick Lee No report

WEBSITE: - Jack Hickman – Camera Kingston, Kingston, is a new sponsor of RCMP Kingston Region Vets website.

VISITATION REPORT - Jack Hickman – Dick Dickins advises that Judy has commenced her chemo treatment. There will be three sets of Chemo drugs over the next year. Dick thanks everyone for their emails, telephone calls and cards. We wish Judy much success, our sincere thoughts and wishes are with her.

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

RCMP Vets Association Modernization Committee – Earl Dickson. Earl advised he emailed membership a copy of his latest update report and some feedback he has received has been included. Earl welcomes any suggestions.

10. OLD BUSINESS:

ID Cards – Application forms are available for retired members requesting a Division or National (signed by Commissioner) ID Card.

11. NEW BUSINESS:

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President Bob made a presentation of Service Pins c/w Service Bars to Chuck Graham – 5 yrs. and Mark Tinlin – 5 yrs.
RCMP Vets AGM Kelowna, B.C. 2007 - Membership voted in favour of Division to cover the cost of Registration fee for Division delegate and spouse to attend the National AGM.

12. NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting will be held on 17 Feb 07 at MacNeil's Landing Restaurant, Gananoque – Breakfast Meeting, spouses included. Details to follow.

13. MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Moved by Tom Petch at 2100 hrs.

Bob King
Asst. Secretary

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS:

FEBRUARY

ACKER, Charles
DICKSON, Earl
KING, Donald
ST. JOHN, Leo(Bud)
TINLIN, Mark

MARCH

ADLINGTON, James
LaMARSH, Ron
MILLER, Ron
ZIELSKI, Frank

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