

# REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL MONDAY, OCTOBER 23<sup>RD</sup>, 2023 7:00 P.M.

## 3. PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

# 4. CORRESPONDENCE

# DR. S. F. MONESTIME MUNICIPAL COUNCIL CHAMBERS 160 WATER STREET MATTAWA, ONTARIO



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The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 254

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Dear Comrades and Friends,

Once again it is time for the Legion to appeal to individuals and businesses for support in our annual Poppy Campaign. It is also the time of year for remembrance; remembering and honoring our veterans and our soldiers, those who have fought and those who are currently serving. We are all aware of the Canadian casualties overseas - some of them from the base in Petawawa. It does bring these losses close to home. The Poppy Campaign is a reminder that people presently serving our country might very well need our help in the future.

Money donated during the campaign is placed in a public trust fund. This money is used to provide assistance to our local ex-service members and their families, to purchase medical equipment for local hospitals, to give out bursaries, to provide support services to senior citizens. These monies are strictly controlled, and accounts are overseen by Provincial Command.

We thank you most sincerely for your generous support in the past campaigns. Your contribution to our 2024 campaign is greatly appreciated.

Cheques may be made payable to: the "Royal Canadian Legion - Poppy Fund" and returned with the reply form at the address above.

If you prefer to buy a wreath, please complete the appropriate reply form on the back indicating the size of the wreath desired and the person to whom it is dedicated. Please send us the wreath information no later than **November 9**, **2023** to ensure we have the wreath or cross available. Prices list is as follows:

ITEM NUMBER	ITEM DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT	
08	Wreath	\$22.00	
35	Cross	\$35.00	
14	Wreath	\$40.00	
20	Wreath	\$ 60.00	
24	Wreath	\$110.00	

Please return the completed form along with a cheque by dropping it off between 2 pm to 5 pm Monday to Saturday at the Legion hall.

Yours in comradeship.

Jackie Lalonde, Poppy Chairperson

### WREATH DONATION SECTION

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Please enclose this form and the cheque or cash. You can also pay by debit or credit card at the Legion.



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#### Dear Comrades:

The Legion is dedicated to the care of Canada's Veterans and the perpetuation of Remembrance. Your annual membership renewal ensures continued support of our dedicated and perpetuated commitments to the Veterans and our local community. If you are not a Legion member yet and wish to do so, please come and visit us or go online at <a href="https://www.legion.ca">www.legion.ca</a> and fill in the application.

Members receive many perks, ie: discounts at various stores, Policy Me Life Insurance discounts, discounts at restaurants, etc... View all Perks at the MemberPerks website.

The annual membership fee for calendar year 2024 is \$40.00 for Early Bird payable up to November 30, 2023 and \$45.00 thereafter. Your membership payment can be made online at https:// portal.legion.ca/login or by sending a cheque or money order, along with the requested member's information, to the above address, or you can pay in person to the bartender at the Legion-Branch 254. Once your membership is paid you will receive your new membership card or sticker. Please feel free to contact us should you have any questions.

Meetings are held every 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month (September to June) at 7 pm. Thanking you in advance and I ask that you continue supporting **OUR** Legion. This is Branch 254's 90<sup>th</sup> year in service to our community. Come and check us out.

We continue to apply for Grants to help fund the many necessary renovations to help add many years to our building and help generate new revenue. Unfortunately, we did not receive the most recent Capital Grant we applied for but we are will apply again and hopefully we will qualify next time.

We did receive a Resiliency Grant this year from the Ontario Trillium Foundation... it allowed us to get a mini-internet café in our Lounge area; it will be up and running by the end of October and includes, a desktop computer and printer to allow people to access the internet and print important documents. It also enabled us to purchase a new commercial refrigerator and dishwasher as well as other kitchen equipment and purchase extra tables for the Hall.

Our Legion suffered during the Pandemic, but thankfully we have survived and are slowly recouping some of the revenue lost during those difficult years.

We are trying new things to help community; we have Dance classes' three evenings per week until the end of October and we will start having Washer games starting October 19<sup>th</sup> to name a few.

Friday Darts have started with 18 teams; a full house again. Keep watching our **Facebook page** for upcoming Legion activities.

We continue to receive donations to help us through tough times... THANK YOU so much to all of you. Big or small they all help. Thank you to the many <u>volunteers</u> who help out whenever needed; without them we would not stay open. We certainly appreciate it and it sure makes all of us proud to be part of this very special community. Thank you all for your kind support.

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Yours truly.

Diane Gallupe, President