



**MINUTES OF C.S.M.M.I. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING,
BURLINGTON HOLIDAY INN CONVENTION CENTRE,
Friday 16th of June 2023.**

Present: Bryan Patterson, President
Andy Traverse, Treasurer
Bill Alexander, Secretary

37 members and guests in attendance.

Call to Order: President, Bryan Patterson called the meeting to order at 17:00 hours.

Minutes of Last Meeting: The minutes of the 2022 AGM were reviewed.
Moved that Minutes as submitted be accepted: Bob Hagarty. Seconded: David Irvine. Carried.

Treasurer's Report: Andy Traverse distributed the financial Statement of Income and Expenses and the Balance Sheet and he noted the date at top should be corrected to read year ending 31 December 2022. He reported the Society is in the best financial state it has been during his tenure. Andy submitted financial summaries for 2019 through 2022. Andy noted that if the income pierces \$30k the CSMMI would be subject to the rules regarding HST. (Statement attached.)
Motion to accept Treasurer's report: John McKenna, Seconded: Lou Grimshaw. Carried.

Membership Report: Ken's Keegan reported the current membership stands at 240. Twenty-one new members have joined to date this year. (Full membership report attached.) Motion to accept Membership Secretary's report: Andrew Godefroy. Seconded: Jaime Cline. Carried.

Website Report: Lawrence Stasiuk reported several changes were made to the website this year with the creation of the Resources section. The website continues to be an active and valuable information service, with an average of 41 visits per day. The website also serves as an archive of the Society and resource of up-coming events. It is a companion service to the CSMMI Facebook site. (Full report attached.)
Motion to accept Webmaster's report: David Irvine. Seconded: Jaime Cline.

Facebook Page Report: Bill Alexander presented a verbal report. The official CSMMI FB page currently has 1982 members. It is being used by collectors and dealers to further their hobby and businesses. It has been effective in recruiting some new members and writers for the Society.
Motion to accept FB administrator's report: Chris Warnick. Seconded: Ian Candy. Carried.

President's Report: Bryan thanked the efforts and support he has had from the members and executive of the Society during his tenure as President of the CSMMI. After 13 years he is stepping down from that role. He has overseen the growth of the CSMMI during the last decade, and managed Society affairs during the difficult COVID epidemic. His full report is attached.

Bryan thanked Mike McLean and the rest of the team for the excellent job organizing this year's annual convention.

Motion to accept the President's Report: Brent Walker. Seconded: Juan José Besteiro.

New Business:

- The CSMMI Annual Show and Sale is scheduled at the Holiday Inn Burlington, 21st and 22nd June, 2024.
- David Irvine suggested the CSMMI Facebook page hold "sales events". The Executive will discuss this initiative.
- It was suggested that members be encouraged to make displays for the monthly bourse shows.

Annual Show Display Awards: This year the CSMMI announced the awards at the opening of the bourse area on Saturday morning. The winners were publicly acknowledged and it was well received.

- Gold: Robert Land: Relics of the Medical Services
- Silver: Scott Duncan: The Canadian Militia Line Infantry Uniform 1855 - 1900
- Bronze: Bob Rutledge: The Military Button - A Miniature Masterpiece

Society Awards:

- Silver Medal – John McKinnon #163 – 57 years of service.
- Silver Medal – Ian Edwards #276 – 51 years of service. (Accepted by Terry Wallace on his behalf.)
- Life Membership – Fred Hayman #273 – 51 years as member.

Election of New Executive: Once again the CSMMI Executive Committee resigns, with nominations for the positions of President, Treasurer and Secretary and Vice-President and Second Vice-President made from the floor.

Secretary: Bill Alexander nominated by Lawrence Stasiuk, seconded Bob McKinnon. Acclaimed.

President: Juan José Besteiro, nominated by Andy Traverse, seconded David Irvine. Acclaimed.

Treasurer: Bryan Patterson, nominated Andy Traverse, seconded guy in the black t-shirt. Acclaimed.

Vice-President: Mike McLean, nominated by lady in the back row, seconded Brent Walker. Acclaimed.

2nd Vice-President: Dave Hiorth, nominated by the empty chair in the last row, (which had been inhabited by someone I didn't know), seconded by Terry Wallace's helper, the photographer. Acclaimed.

Juan José Besteiro's acceptance speech noted his appreciation for militaria, and his growing interest in Canadian militaria. He outlined his aims for the CSMMI under his tenure. His primary goal is to get more feet in the door at the monthly and annual shows.

Juan spoke to Bryan's term as president, thanking him for the efforts he had made to keep the CSMMI a viable club in difficult times. He presented Bryan with gifts from the Executive.

Point of Personal Privilege: John McKenna claims he was 39 yesterday. Non-debateable motion.

Adjournment: There being no further business, adjournment was moved Lawrence Stasiuk. Carried. The meeting adjourned at 18:05 hours.

President

Secretary