

Army, Navy and Air Force Veterans in Canada
Kelowna – Unit 376
Executive Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, April 8, 2026
(Meeting Recorded)

LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT: We respectfully acknowledge that the land on which we gather is the traditional, ancestral and unceded territory of the SYILX Okanagan Nation. May we continue to foster relationships and deeper respect for our Indigenous Peoples in the spirit of reconciliation and collaboration.

CALL TO ORDER: 6:02 pm

SILENCE: Moment of silence in memory for our fallen Comrades.
Act of Remembrance recited by Unit President - Stephen Walters

ROLL CALL: Unit President: Stephen Walter, 1st VP - Dave Pich, 2nd VP - Karen Zielger, Past President – Kathy Barber, Directors: Helene Fitzgerald, Darrell Unrau, Bill Edwards, Harry Karpinski, Brigid Cawthra and Burpee Atkins Absent with Reason: Ron Christy Guest: Kelvin Fitzgerald

PREVIOUS MINUTES: Reading of Executive Meeting Minutes – March 11, 2026 as posted on website. Correction - Good Friday was Karaoke not Jam **2nd - Kathy Barber**

CORRESPONDENCE: None

MEMBERSHIP: **Helene Fitzgerald**
2026 - Total members to date - 111
4 - Life Member
22 - Active Members
16 - Affiliate Members
69 - Associate Members
7 - New Members - not initiated yet
2nd Harry Karpinski - Carried

FINANCE: **Kathy Barber**
As of March 31, 2026
Operating & Shares - \$12,332.67 Welfare & Charity – \$26,085.47
Savings & Shares - \$4,035.32
Total \$16,376.92 Commercial Loan - \$29,761.78

Revenue: \$14,087.45
Expenses: \$14,416.20
Deficit: \$ -328.75

YTD Revenue: \$37,221.90 **YTD Expense:** \$40,646.22 **YTD: Deficit** -\$3,424.32

2nd – Burpee Atkins – Carried

Question: Darrell Unrau: are we making off the BCLC Lottery ? Yes, off Pulltabs and only 5% off Lottery Sales which is not very much

Question: Darrell Unrau: Why are we losing money every month ? We need to come up with ideas on how to make more money. Suggestions from other Executive: Come and support club more ! To bring in Draft beer is a \$20,000 cost which at this time is not feasible.

DONATIONS:	None
SGT. at ARMS	Burpee Atkins Nothing to report
SPORTS:	Dave Pich Provincial Darts in Vernon on April 11 BC Prov Crib upcoming in May in Kamloops Fishing Derby - Fathers Day - 1 day only nothing else to report at this time
HOUSE/GROUNDS:	Harry Karpinsky Weatherstripping is complete, sensor for alarm was installed on new back door. Camera behind bar has been down for 3 months; this has now been addressed and all cameras are working.
ENTERTAINMENT	Karen Ziegler Bingo is going okay and Bingo will be finished at end of June. Karen cannot continue to do it alone; more volunteers are needed otherwise we may be forced to end earlier. Saturday - April 18 th - Dinner and Dance with Kelly Bellanger. Dinner will consist of Ham and scalloped potatoes. 17 tickets available as of April 8. May 23 rd - Dinner and Dance with Vic Ukranitz Thursday Jams - going well Stephen is running them and its very popular with more people coming in. Karaoke is going well.
WAYS AND MEANS:	Karen Ziegler Meat Draws are going well. Meat Draw limit raised from \$550.00 to \$600.00 as it was difficult to stay within the budget as meat prices have increased drastically. Lots of compliments since raising it. Kelvin Fitzgerald will be helping Karen with Ways and Means as part of her committee.
PUBLICITY:	Stephen Walters Emails are being sent out to members with upcoming information. Stephen will try and send more information out to members about events. New Domain Server from US to Canadian domain - 3-year plan \$356 much cheaper than yearly payment. To get to meeting minutes: ANAF376.ca - About Us - Executive Login - Executive - P/W: (ask Stephen if you don't know what it is) - Executive Corner will show on screen with executive information including minutes of meetings. Website needs to be updated to include "First Responders".
DVA/SICK AND VISITING:	Bill Edwards Nothing to report
BY LAWS:	Darrell Unrau Kathy brought up as to why our bylaw changes sent in 3 months ago still have not been approved. Someone will follow up with BC Provincial command.

OLD BUSINESS: Code of Conduct discussion; some feedback. Helene liked them, not too many other comments
Brigid will send out copies to Executive to review and to discuss next meeting.
Nothing on roofing issue at this time.

Projector: Electrician has been in, but Stephen says a permit is required for electrical so Bill Edwards will get one. Screen will cover Dart boards when pulled down and projector will sit up on post. It is adjustable so will not shine in eyes during Karaoke.

NEW BUSINESS: Defibrillator: should we purchase one for Unit? Medical services are 5 minutes away from Unit. There are grants to apply for, but they do not open until fall and close next spring. Money can be taken from the Welfare and Charity account per Gaming License regulations to purchase one. Brigid to get some quotes and we will discuss at next meeting.

GOOD AND WELFARE: None

NEXT MEETING: Next General Meeting - Saturday, April 18, 2026 at 1:00 pm
Next Executive Meeting - Wednesday, **April 29**, 2026 at 6:00 pm
Next General Meeting - Saturday, **May 9**, 2026 at 1:00 pm

Meeting adjourned: 7:32 pm

THE KING

Stephen Walters
President

Brigid Cawthra
Recording Secretary