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**MINUTES NOVEMBER CABINET MEETING**

**November 15, 2020**

**Newcastle Lions Club**

Meeting called to order by DG Paul Gauthier at 11:30.

Both National Anthems were sung.

Moment of silence was observed for members of the Lions Family and world peace. Special moment for CC Lloyd Soucie’s sister whom he lost.

Lions Invocation was observed by all.

Agenda was approved by PDG Luke Stennick and 2nd by PCC Denzil Bernard.

Roll call was taken at the door.

DG Paul welcomed everyone to the Cabinet Meeting following all the rules set out by government. Not all clubs are meeting yet. He asked Zone Chairs to let him know about the status of club meetings. He reminded clubs to file their monthly reports. There are clubs that have not filed their officers. Montreal Convention is still on and waiting on the word from International. He thanked PCC Susan for setting up the training that was done yesterday. Hopefully, there will be training in February. Deadline for articles in the District Newsletter and MDN newsletter is November 30, 2020. Fall Conference is by Zoom on Nov. 20,21/20. Link sent out to those who are interested. Dues have to be paid by Dec. 31, 2020 or there will be financial suspensions handed out. Clubs are having difficulty raising funds, but Lions need to find ways to get out in their communities and **SERVE**. Portage has sent out their wish list and names for Christmas gifts. VDG John Bettle will take any gifts or cheques to Lion Lorraine.

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**2020-2021**



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Introduction of head table and recognition of all Lions.

Host President of Newcastle Lions Club, Lion John Bracken addressed the meeting. He welcomed all and thanked them for abiding by the rules. DG Paul presented Newcastle Lions with a hospitality book certificate for hosting the cabinet meeting. Peace Posters will be judged at lunch and winner will be sent to CC Lloyd. International had sent out 100 ways to serve and CS sent these out to clubs. DG Paul reported that the new club in Mount Stewart is operating in their community. Also, a new club, Pokeshaw Blackrock, is set to go as of tonight.

**Report from 1st VDG John Bettle**. Attached with minutes.

**Report from 2nd VDG Dawn-Penton**—6 Zone Chairs were present at Zone Meeting this morning. The clubs in these zones are in contact with the clubs in their zone. She reminded clubs to contact any club before visiting. It was suggested that ZCs be trained in My Lion and My LCI so they are available to help secretaries.

PCC Lion Brennan Beaumont reported for the **PDGA meeting**. Some items brought up to help the DG are:

1/ Increase membership with new club which we now have 2.

2/ To keep working with Portage

3/ To work on retention by using PDGs to work in their areas to be helpful to clubs

4/ Recommendation from PDGA for DG to investigate purchasing a banner for the District to be displayed at District functions. Also, clubs could start bringing their club banners and stand for display at cabinet meeting and convention. This will bring pride for Lions by displaying their banners.

**CS Report**: Thank you everyone for signing in. It is not our normal procedure, but it is the COVID-19 way. The sheet is also used by

Newcastle Club for tracing purposes. Roll call summary is 20 clubs present with 47 members plus 2 on zoom. Special mention that

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Douglastown Lions Club has 8 of their 11 members here with 3 more to be inducted. They are growing and applauded.

Communication is very important. All secretaries are required to take information to the club. Members are not getting information passed on.

Directory correction: St. Eleanor’s Lions Club secretary, Lion George Lecky’s email is georgelecky41@gmail.com.

Lions Services for Children & Youth, Lion Susan Stennick’s email is susan.stennick709@gmail.com.

If your club has not received your directories, contact PCC Paul Cousins who has a record of where they are. Most of them were given to the ZC.

Minutes of the previous cabinet meeting in Nashwaaksis were emailed out and available here. Were there any errors or omissions? Hearing none, moved by CS Bev that the minutes be adopted. 2nd by PCC Paul Cousins. Motion carried.

DG Paul presented Lion Ed Evans with a hospitality convention book certificate for Nashwaaksis hosting the September Cabinet Meeting. Attached with the minutes is the email addresses for the District Newsletter as well as the MD Newsletter.

DG Paul presented the new members in Douglastown Lions Club with his pin.

PCC Denzil Bernard reminded Lions to bring pop tabs to any cabinet meeting. There was information out there in some clubs that we had stopped collecting and that is not so.

**CT Report**: Report has been available for discussion. An extra cost for directories as the ones to US clubs had to be mailed and the cost was

added to the directory expense. Dues are due when invoiced. Moved by CT Carlos and 2nd by Lion Ed Evans to accept the financial report as presented. Motion carried.

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Information has been sent out about District Awards for 2019-20. Deadline for applying is December 31, 2020. Please review the list of awards and think about distinguished service award, humanitarian award and most improved club. Awards banquet is set for February in Saint John, NB.

**Reports:**

**GMT** Lion Ed Evans has report attached. He said that clubs need to get back to service. Communities need us. Members need to be active. Continue to invite one to go to your club to see what you do. This will continue our legacy.

**GST** PCC Paul Cousins has report attached. If clubs need help, do not be afraid to ask for help.

**GLT** PCC Susan Sangster thanked the Lions that attended the training yesterday. There was fun and comradery in the evening as well. There will be a couple of special topics presented at the District Convention. She would be interested in any ideas that anyone has for her to work on. Any zone that would like one topic in their zone she would be happy to present.

**Portage** Lists have been sent out along with the wish list that the facility needs. If your club has a gift, it must be at Portage prior to Dec. 13, 2020, as it must be isolated for 24 hours before handed out. If you need assistance getting it to Portage, contact DG Paul or 1st VDG John.

It will be an in-house Christmas this year.

**LCIF** PDG Luke has report attached. Every dollar matters.

**Celebration 2020** PCC Bev Semple reported that we are celebrating 100 years of service across Canada. There are folders available to

report your service activity. There is time. Reporting continues to June 30,2021. 3rd VP Patti Hill is looking for any service activities from Canadian Lions. I have submitted activities from Kensington Lions Club as well as from the District for the tree planting. It may come out in the Lions Magazine so watch for it. We were recognized by our Canadian

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International Director Allan Hunt at a Zoom Meeting. The folder is available on our district web.

**Lions Quest** Lion Lori Perley reported that there have been 2 virtual workshops done. She received positive comments from them. There are 6 more to come. Q Bears are on sale for $20.00. No shipping if bought today. Clubs will be receiving a letter in the mail for fundraising. There also is a fundraiser of face masks with different themes and all funds go to Lions Quest. Contact Lion Lori if you have any questions.

**Peace Poster** 1st VDG John gave report for Lion Isabel Simpson. 3 schools participated with 179 from Hampton Middle School, 69 from Macdonald Consolidated Middle School and 9 from Belleisle Regional Middle School. Judging of the 3 posters was completed with the winners as follows—

 1st place Lilian Giberson (Macdonald Consolidated Middle School)

 2nd place Cara Taylor (Hampton Middle School)

 3rd place Logan Sherwood (Belleisle Regional Middle School)

Winning poster will be mailed to CC Lloyd.

MDN Fall Conference is by zoom on November 20th,21st. Link has been sent out.

**Eye-Glasses** Lion Doug Cook is collecting and sending to NL. Also, collecting hearing aids and CPack machines. Send no cases. Count your glasses and fill out form before sending.

**LFC** Money is still needed and there are restrictions. There are fundraising events happening. Expansion of the facility is under way. The next training will be for Ontario recipients as they can travel to facility for this next time. You can go to their web site to check out the Memorial Forest.

**MD Pins** They have arrived and for sale @ $5.00.

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**Constitution & By-Laws** Lion Carlos Vincente has some information to be reviewed for next cabinet meeting.

**Tail Twisting**  Moved by PCC Paul Cousins for tail twisting money to go to Ronald MacDonald House. 2nd by PCC Susan Sangster. Motion carried. Total today is $159.75.

**Project** Ronald MacDonald House has outgrown, and people have been turned away. There is fundraising ongoing for new building. DG would like to see a parade of cheques at our Convention for this project. Any clubs that can donate, make your cheque payable to the District N1 for presentation at year end.

**New Business** There will not be a major fund raiser for the District this year.

The DGs of MDN have discussed having a MD Service Award for a club. One entry per club. The District would submit to the Multiple. It is to be discussed at the Fall Conference. More information to come.

Meeting adjourned at 2:30.

Yours in Lionism

PCC Beverley Semple

Cabinet Secretary