

FEDERAL SUPERANNUATES NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
GENERAL MEETING - NORTH ISLAND BRANCH
June 12, 2002

Bernie called the meeting to order and, as we have the Comox Fire Chief as our special guest speaker, he asked that everyone be as brief as possible in their reports.

It was moved by Bill McSeveney and seconded by Ian Sibbald that the minutes of the last meeting, copies of which are on the tables, be accepted. The motion carried.

Committee reports:

Treasurer: Tom reported a financial balance of \$19,194.67 to June 10, 2002. The Newsletter accounts for June have not yet been billed and Dues Deducted at Source payments for the next two calendar quarters will be approximately \$1,750.00 each. Tom moved the acceptance of his report, seconded by Bryan Lind. Carried.

Membership: We have a membership of 1285 but there are 36 members who pay by cash or cheque who have not yet renewed. Reminders have been sent and those who have not responded will be removed from the membership list at the end of June.

Telephone: Joan introduced Audrey Clark who presented some of the members of the telephone committee to the membership. By doing this, those who are being called will be able to put a face on the caller.

Welfare: Halle said she had sent two get well cards and a donation of \$20.00 to the Cancer Society was made in memoriam.

Programs: Barb told the membership that the cost of the meals for the General meetings will be raised to \$13.00 per person beginning with the September meeting.

Media: John had nothing to report.

Historian: Frank also had nothing to report.

Health Benefits: Steve reminded everyone that June 30th was the last date for submitting claims to PSHCP for 2001. He also said there would be no changes in the Medoc premiums.

Newsletter: Ron said that the picture of the Comox Fire Chief in the Newsletter was incorrect. He also had extra copies of the Newsletter with him for anyone who needed one.

Our guest speaker for the meeting was Gordon Schreiner, the Comox Fire Chief. He gave us a very informative talk about the Thermal Imaging camera purchased by the Fire Department. The camera weighs 2-1/2 pounds and can locate people, hot spots, fluid levels and power lines, for example, through dense smoke. They will soon have remote transmit capability so that the activities of those inside can be monitored from outside, thus providing more safety. He also gave us an outline of his career with the Fire Department over the past 27 years.

Bernie thanked Gord for coming to talk to us. He was given an enthusiastic round of applause and some members got a closer look at the camera capabilities he described.

The 50/50 draw was then conducted and Janine Lindsey won the basket provided by Mike Garipey of Royal LePage.

The meeting was adjourned.