



Hamilton Fire Department Pensioners Association

The Group

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**President
(Vacant)**

**Secretary
Dave Christopher**

**Treasurer
Chuck Wilson**

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MINUTES

Meeting: September 9, 2025

Macassa Bay Yacht Club

38 Members Present

Last Alarm Gary Fitzpatrick

Secretary's Report Minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted as is.

Condolences to the McEneny Family (Mother), Klassen Family (Mother) and John Levley family (Wife). Al Benoska asked that the membership be advised that he would not be at this Quarterly meeting, due to his wife have been diagnosed with Stage 4 lung, liver and bone cancer.

President's Report No Report, due to the position being vacant.

Treasurer's Report: Brother Chuck Wilson provided the Quarterly Treasurer's Report which shows a balance of [REDACTED] as of the end of August (in our shares account/general account), including receivables and expenditures for the past quarter. There are currently 539 members in total of which 349 are considered to be active + 21 who are considered active by "mail". Members who are considered to be "Dormant" - currently 184 persons. There are also a total of 10 "Complimentary" members.

Pensions As was reported at the March meeting by Brother Don Skarratt, the last meeting of the HMERF that due to a lack of participating members that a meeting could not be held; anyone who is interested is encouraged to participate, put in their name. While he didn't have an exact number, he believes that are 45 members (spouses) still in the fund, which doing well.

Committee Reports Ed McGrane has been moved to Edgewater Long Term Care in Dunnville.

Again, Don has asked if any younger members would like to step up and assist with following up on the status of any of our members who have medical issues, it would be greatly appreciated. If you are aware of any such updates, please advise Charlie Wilson or Dave Christopher so that we can distribute the information to all our members.

Brother Wilson also reported that the website is running well and is updated regularly when items of interest / notifications are received.

Unfinished Business The Position of President of the Association is currently vacant and after a short discussion, it was agreed to leave the position vacant till the March meeting, when the various officers positions will receive nominations. The issue of Charitable Organizations was discussed with respect to who we donate to: at present, we support Food 4 Kids, Flag Football (Local 288) and Macassa Bay. Dan Elingham presented a motion that we prepare a list of who we will support and that the amount be limited to \$1,000 per organization and that any monies donated be to an organization that serves the citizens of Hamilton and further it be tied to Local 288. This matter was tabled to the December meeting for further discussion.

- New Business:** The election of Officers resulted in Charlie Wilson and Dave Christopher being acclaimed as Treasurer and Secretary respectively.
- Good & Welfare:** As stated earlier, Ed McGrane has been moved to Edgewater Long Term Care in Dunnville. Ernie Mills is at the Meadows Long Term Care Home, 12 Tranquility Drive, Ancaster. Walter Romachuyk is at Extendicare Hamilton- 90 Chedmac Drive; Bob Konkle at St Peters Residence at Chedoke, 125 Redfern Avenue; Paul Marchese is at the Villages of Wentworth Heights, 1620 Upper Wentworth Street and John Grimshaw is at Heritage Green Nursing Home, 363 Issac Brock Drive, SC.
- Welcome to new retired members: Scott Sadler-Harrison, Lloyd Brown, Matthew Shaw, Samantha D'Angelo (FP) Mark Fingland (Aug 1st), John Barry (June 1st) Derek MacDonald and Rob D'Amico (Dec 31st).
- Announcements:** The OHEP screening program for 2025-2026 has begun as of September 3rd; please see the website for more details.
- The Pensioner's Banquet is scheduled for October 21st at Carmen's Banquet Centre on Stonechurch - more information to follow.
- HFDPA vehicle stickers, key chains and pins are all available at a cost of \$2 each; please contact Charlie Wilson for purchase of same. The Canadian Firefighters National Memorial Day will take place on Sunday, September 14th in Ottawa.
- The TPFFCS Memorial Ride to Ottawa began on Wednesday, September 3rd from the SFRC after a breakfast supplied by Box 43. Over 70 cyclists are participating in the ride. Box 43 75th Anniversary Open House will take place on Saturday September 13th from noon to 4 p.m. at Station 6; all are welcome. HPFFA Fall Golf Tournament will take place on September 25th; again, please check the website for further details.
- Coffee courtesy of Bob Mueller, many thanks.
- Next Meeting:** Will be held on Tuesday, December 9th, 2025 at 10:30 a.m.; Macassa Bay Yacht Club. No Parking in the compound; obey all parking signs if parking on the roadway outside the club. Overflow parking is available at Bayfront Park. Please do not enter the Marine Police Compound.
- Meeting Adjourned:** 11:30 Hours
- Fraternally, Dave Christopher, Secretary**

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