

RTFFA General Meeting – October 17, 2019

Executive Members Present - Al Thomas, Paul Halls, Al Hall, Al Falkner, Chuck West, Ron Coates.

Regrets - Frank Ramagnano

Location: TPFFA L3888 office.

The Fall General Meeting of the Retired Toronto Fire Fighters was held on the above noted date and got underway at 10:30am

**Presidents Report** – President Thomas welcomed all those in attendance. The agenda was reviewed and gave an overview of progress to date. He advised that a review of the Constitution had been under taken. The changes which are mostly housekeeping will be presented at the fall meeting.

**Kevin Connolly – Comtech Fire Credit Union** – Kevin gave us an overview and history on the Credit Union and how it got to where it is today. He provided a credit union handout and reviewed the services how the credit union may be of benefit to retirees.

Chris Somberger and James Reed – A benefits update regarding Green Shield Canada (GSC) and the ongoing 3888 grievance. The hope is to have everything with a Drug Identification Number (DIN) to be covered. Its thought that the arbitrator may start his deliberation on or around November 1, 2019. It was noted that if there is no DIN number there is no coverage.

**John Drimmie – TFS EAP / Peer Support** – John gave a thorough review of the program and its formation back in the early 1980's. He went over the PTSD and the symptoms and how access peer support takes place.

**New Business – Constitution Amendments**. A motion to pass the Retired Toronto Fire Fighters Association Constitution as amended was moved by John House and seconded by Ron Coates. Changes included wording which would help in the opening of a bank account.

The motion was passed unanimously by those in attendance.

Old Business – none.

The meeting adjourned at 02:30pm