

NBSRTSJ Minutes November 21, 2024

The regular monthly meeting of NBSRTSJ was held on November 21, 2024 at RiverCross with Vice – President Bob O’Connell in the chair. Members in attendance were Marg Urquhart, Barry Harbinson, Ann Stone, Pat Dugay, Ellen Palmer, Marijke Blok, Rena MacGregor, and Pat Loughery.

Regrets were received from Judy Braman, Pat Murray, Mary Power, Bob Bonner, Kathy Dalling, Paula Scott, Rose Theriault, and Sue Smith.

Bob called the meeting to order at 10:05. The agenda was amended to include a report from the Branch President’s meeting which was held this week. This is to be included under New Business 9D. The agenda was then accepted on a motion by Barry and seconded by Marg. Motion carried.

The minutes from September 19, 2024 were amended and then accepted on a motion by Barry and Marijke. Amendments included a typo error on the spelling of Rod Campbell’s name and the fact the January issue of Reflections will include articles on river cruising and hiking.

In regards to business airing from the Minutes Marijke will include information on the Armouries Social in the January Newsletter. The NBSRTSJ will sponsor a social later in the spring.

Barry supplied the following financial report:

Bank Balance.	\$5561.79
Uncleared cheques	864.68
Added income	0.00
Cash on hand	150.00
Current balance	\$4847.11

The last outstanding item from the AGM has been cleared and as a result the following two motions were presented by Barry:

Whereas the NBSRT AGM Committee passed a motion to donate excess monies to the NBSRTSJ Scholarship Fund and whereas NBSRT is celebrating its fifty-year history in 2025, a motion to donate \$500.00 to the NBSRTSJ Scholarship Fund is moved by Barry Harbinson and seconded by Marg Urquhart. Motion carried

Whereas NBSRT is suggesting Branches seek ways to celebrate its fiftieth anniversary, NBSRTSJ investigates arranging a session on Aging at the Assumption Centre (or alternate location) and provide participants with a complementary light lunch and presentation. Moved by Barry and seconded by Pat Dugay.

Due to fact we were a small group at the meeting and two fiscal motions were introduced it was decided members not in attendance would be contacted by email to seek additional votes to justify these expenditures. The results were all in favour with the exception of one member who did not reply.

**REPORTS**

Social

Pat and Ann reported we had forty-one attend with forty-two registered. Everyone in attendance seemed to enjoy the afternoon.

There are sixty-six registered for the Christmas Social and Ellen and Friends will lead the entertainment.

Wellness

There will be six members attending the needle felting to be held next week.

Newsletter

Marijke informed the meeting the deadline date for submission of articles for the upcoming Newsletter will be January 20, 2025 and the mail out will take place on January 24, 2025.

Marijke will send out a reminder for articles to be included in the newsletter.

### **New Business**

The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the NBSRT will take place in 2025 in the Miramichi. Reservations should be made as soon as possible at the Rodd Inn. Information on subsidization will be discussed at the January meeting.

Branch Presidents Meeting will be conducted as a zoom meeting and Barry will represent NBSRTSJ.

There will be a discussion on Social and Wellness activities.

It was moved by Barry and seconded by Pat Dugay that NBSRTSJ celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> Ann of NBSRT by conducting a special activity. Motion carried.

### **Member Survey Results**

A meeting will be held on Thursday January 9, 2025 at 10:00 at RiverCross to discuss the results.

There being no further business, Barry moved for adjournment.

Respectfully submitted

Pat Loughery  
(Secretary)