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February 22, 2015

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Dear Councillors,

On November 11th, 2014, the Greater Hammonds Plains-Lucasville community once again paid tribute to all of our Veterans, both past and presently serving. This year, we gathered for the 4th annual event at Uplands Park on Hammonds Plains Road; over 2000 people attended.

In response to the overwhelming attendance, members of our communities - Upper Hammonds Plains, Hammonds Plains and Lucasville - have committed to the establishment of a permanent Hammonds Plains Lucasville Community Cenotaph.

The Greater Hammonds Plains-Lucasville Memorial Committee was established on December 4th, 2014 to coordinate the development of a Cenotaph. Community meetings have been well attended, and held on December 4, 2014 and January 14, 2015. The next community meeting is scheduled for 7pm February 25th at St. John's Anglican Church, 2187 Larry Uteck Blvd.

All activities of this community group have been publicized via a webpage, <http://myhammondsplains.ca/we-remember/> and [facebook page](#). The community meetings are listed in the Sackville/Bedford Observer and promoted via facebook, email notices and our webpage.

An newspaper article was published in December: A Place to Remember
<http://bedfordsackvilleobserver.ca/2014/12/22/a-place-to-remember-in-hammonds-plains-cenotaph-can-be-heart-of-community/>

A community survey has been circulating since early January to gather feedback from the community.

The organizing group is making excellent progress having been offered a potential permanent home in Uplands Park by the Uplands Park Residents Association. The goal is to have the Cenotaph installed by November 11, 2015.

A detailed proposal was issued to Jamie MacLellan, HRM Public Art Facilitator on January 18, 2015. In addition, we are waiting to hear back from John Henry, A/Manager Community Recreation & Culture, to determine if subdivision area rate funds are permissible for expenditure on the Community Cenotaph in Uplands Park.

The Committee is working with Steven Nelson, President, Heritage Memorials Ltd. on design options and fundraising/donor initiatives.

Councillors, your support for this community-driven initiative is greatly appreciated. We would welcome a letter of support from the North West Community Council to add to the letters we currently have from Halifax West MP, Geoff Regan and Hammonds Plains-Lucasville MLA, Ben Jessome.

Sincerely,

Pamela Lovelace

Chair, Greater Hammonds Plains Lucasville Memorial Committee