

September 23, 2025

To Whom it may concern,

I am writing regarding the Shubenacadie Cenotaph. To keep it at the Legion

I have only lived in Shubenacadie for two years, in that time the subject of the Cenotaph move seemed to consume some people's lives.

I do not have the same sentimental attachment to the Cenotaph as some people (that have moved away from East Hants) have.

I come from a family that has strong faith and family values. So, I can see where some people are coming from.

With that being said, should it have been moved without the community's knowledge, No.

But, I will tell you, by passing through the spot where it was located, I didn't even notice that it was there.

Overgrown foliage and broken steps didn't make me look at it.

Now that it is at the legion, I notice it every time we drive by to go visit extended family.

I think it is a good idea to keep it where it is, as the legion represents the veterans that fought for our freedom.

Also, the elementary school is right beside the legion, and this will help to teach the children of the past residents of East Hants that participated in the war.

I will not be in favor of moving it back if it adds to my taxes to pay for the move

There are many more things in our community that need to be upgraded and attended to other than moving the Cenotaph back, because some people feel slighted in not knowing of the move.

I believe a lesson was learned on the social media out cry, so that this will not happen again.

All the people that are protesting should be required to live in the East Hants district as of the move. NOT have lived here or have had a family member lived here in the past.

With the economy the way it is right now, there are other issues that should be addressed and not have this drag on and on.

Thank you for your time in reading my email.

Sincerely,

Sarah Matheson