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Good day County Councillors:

Consideration to Rescind a previous decision:

1. **The Monument in Shubenacadie** should stay at the Legion where it is.
 - a. We all have recognized a mistake was made; however, we want to move forward from the mistake and give a second chance to correct the mistake.
 - b. All of the town is not represented by the first vote.
 - c. There are many reasons given that were not all encompassing for the town.
2. During the start of every meeting, it is acknowledged that we are on Indigenous land.
 - a. The Indigenous community was not brought in to the original ask.
 - b. Due to the Indigenous community not having their voice heard, there should be a re-consideration to have a more encompassing vote.
3. Many Shubenacadie residents were not asked about moving the monument back.
 - a. After speaking with many residents, they were surprised by the lash back after the monument was moved.
 - b. Many residents felt that, yes, it should have been asked, however now that the monument is moved, they think it is a “great spot”.
4. The old area where the monument is hard to see with all of the trees.
 - a. At the Legion the monument is very well seen.
 - b. There are no one volunteers to keep the property clean and looking good on Main Street; it is felt that the municipality will look after the piece of land; this has never happened in the past. (Correct us if we are wrong). The monument is closer to the legion, which can be helpful in keeping the area clean and looked after.

5. Knowledge and spreading the word having conversations about all of the armed conflicts.
 - a. The school can utilize the monument for teachings and will produce more conversations from children, which will help increase their knowledge surrounding the men and women that did fight for the country we live in today.
6. The Money that was used to move it in the first place was Federal monies
 - a. Veteran's affairs is Federal and if there was an issue with the movement of the monument, the funding would have been an issue.
7. Clarifying this monument is not a grave site nor a tomb.
 - a. This monument displays the names of the fallen, this will never change.
 - b. The monument is still erected, even if it is in a different area, which means it will continue on from 104 years plus.

In Conclusion:

We have started a petition that will be all encompassing. The town should have a true vote, now that the monument is moved. If this vote shows that people still want it moved, then it will be moved. If the vote shows keep it there, then the monument would stay. Whatever the end result of the vote is, we all know that there was no one being left out; we all have a chance to speak, with a vote. We want this to be positive and we want to hear everyone's opinion.

Everyone should have the ability to vote on the second move. We also know that the "move back" was asked to be quick, so that it can be moved for November 11, 2025. Should it be rushed? Maybe we have to see if it is better for veterans, and elderly people. I will go where ever it is because I am remembering the past. I am not going to stay away because we did not like the decision that was made; all we are asking for, is a fair and all-encompassing vote.

Thank You for your Re-Consideration,

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