

East Windsor Veterans Commission

December 12, 2019

Meeting Minutes

7pm 11 Rye Street Broad Brook, CT 06016

1. Call to order: 7pm by Chairman Jim Barton
2. Pledge: Led by Chairman Jim Barton
3. Attendance: Rick Webster, Ed Filipone, Jim Barton, Bob Lyke, Vic DeCapua, Scott Morgan, Dan Morgan, Mary Morgan, Rob Dynak
4. Public Session: NA
5. Added Agenda Item: Motion to add Veteran's Day in the school's new business Vic DeCapua, Bob Lyke second. All in favor
6. Secretary Report: Motion to approve the secretary report from the as presented Vic DeCapua, Rob Dynak second. Abstain Bob Lyke, Scott Morgan, All in favor
7. Treasurer Report: Motion to approve the secretary report as presented by the treasurer, Scott Morgan, Dan Morgan second. All in favor
8. Chairman report: Current member up for re-appointment Bob Lyke, Scott Morgan. Motion to repay Jim Barton 48.69 for supplies for the memorial green, Rob Dynak, Bob Lyke second. All in favor

Motion to pay WHPFD for the flags, rope, clips for the flag at town hall in the amount of 156.41 Scott Morgan, Dan Morgan second. All in favor

Motion to pay Scott Morgan for the metal posts for the road race sign in the amount of 63.87 Vic DeCapua, Bob Lyke second. All in favor

Motion to make donation to Pauline's Stock Pot in the amount of \$450.00 Bob Lyke, Rick Webster second. All in favor

Discussion of emergency funds for veterans in need: Have funds available in the event that a veteran comes to the commission with an urgent need. Motion to have the emergency fund of 50.00 for a veteran in need per the chairman, Vic DeCapua, Bob Lyke second. Ed, what is an emergency? Rick, Veterans only for the funds. Amend the motion to include the vice chairman in the event the chairman is not available. All in favor Rick, we should look into getting involved with the Manchester Veterans Breakfast next year. We should invite Mellissa to the next meeting to see what the needs are in town with our veterans. Motion to approve a budget request with the town for our secretary for the amount of \$1200.00 for the 2020-2021-year Scott Morgan, Vic DeCapua second. All in favor

Motion to purchase a plaque for 2 members for their volunteerism and help with the road race Vic DeCapua, Bob Lyke second. All in favor

9. Committee Reports

- a. Fundraising: NA
- b. Publicity: Bob is delighted that Peter for the American Legion in the service officer for the legion. They will work together to help the veterans in our community. The goal is to create a town department for veterans, a support center.
- c. Memorial Day: NA
- d. Cemetery: NA

10. New Business:

- a. Wreaths Across America, 12/15/2019 at 12pm
- b. Election of Officers:

Motion to nominate James Barton as Chairman Bob Lyke, Scott Morgan second, All in favor.

Motion to nominate Rick Webster as Vice Chairman James Barton, Scott Morgan second. All in favor.

Motion to nominate Edward Filipone as treasurer Vic DeCapua, Rob Dynak second. All in favor.

Motion to nominate Vic DeCapua as secretary Bob Lyke, Scott Morgan second. All in favor

- c. Veterans Day at the Schools: What does the commission want for Veteran's Day at the schools? We need a plan. Paul will be added to the commission by the BOS at the open spot for an alternate. Paul, and Jill will bring information on what other schools in CT do on Veterans Day so we can make a plan for what we will do in EW.

Old Business:

- a. Road Race, task list: Discussion of what the task list should have: Everyone will make a list of what they do for the road race and the timeline they need to have it done by for the next meeting. This should be a road map for the race. Dan Morgan will be in charge of Wreaths Across America. Rick, the road race went smooth, it was a great day for the runners, 281 runners crossed the finish line.
- b. Flags at the cemetery: Policy is to remove flags after Veterans Day, the flags are in bad shape being left out in the elements. St. Catherine's is part of our function as a commission and it reflects badly if the flags are not taken care of. The cemetery managers do not want the flags left in the cemeteries. The flags should be treated like any other American Flags, which means they should be illuminated after dark. Scott, what if we put them out Memorial Day -July 4th? Barton, Maybe Veterans day and Memorial Day? We would need to remove the flags and holders, so we would need to mark the location of some of the placements. It is possible for the landscaper to remove the flags and holders. Discussion of flags. Motion to flags in the week before Memorial Day and remove them the week after Jim Barton, Bob Lyke second. All in favor

Correspondence: NA

- c. Adjournment: motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:47 Scott Morgan, Vic DeCapua second. All in favor

Minutes submitted by Jill Caron