East Windsor Veterans Commission
Thursday July 13, 2023 7pm
11 Rye Street
Broad Brook, CT 06016
Meeting Minutes

Call to order: 7:25 pm

Pledge led by Jim Barton

Attendance: Jim Barton, Peter Sanders, Ken Crouch, Dan Morgan, Rick Webster, Bruce Putinas

Public Session: NA

Added Agenda Item: NA

Secretary Report: Motion to approve the meeting minutes from the May 11,2023 meeting, Dan Morgan, Bruce Putinas second. Peter Sanders

Abstain, All in favor

Treasurer Report:

Starting balance \$37,367.17

Expenses: \$854.87

Ending balance: \$36512.30

Motion to approve the treasurer report as presented Bruce Putinas, Dan Morgan second. All in favor

Chairman report: We made a motion last meeting to donate \$250.00 per veteran for plots at the Veterans section of the cemetery. I spoke with the company that runs the plots and a member of the board and have not heard anything back. We sent a letter to Rogers Memorial and the board member. Ken will reach out to them again. I want to thank Dan and Mary Morgan for going to the scholarship ceremony at the high school. We received a thank you letter from Sofia and the East Windsor High School.

Committee Reports

Fundraising: Sponsor letter has started going out to businesses. The money has starting to come in. Everyone on the commission should provide a list to Bruce and Jim of which businesses they are going to go to.

Memorial Day: This year's Memorial Day was a big success. We had a lot of people in attendance. Bruce: This was the best parade yet. We need to put together a list of participants in the parade. We still need to get new signs for the participants in the parade. The PA systems need to be moved to a different location so it is easier to hear. There were a few gaps in the parade. The larger vehicle needs to placed in the line up avoiding sharps turns. The band asked for water bottles, we ended up getting a few cases. Is this something we want to have next year? We will set up a water station at the end of the parade next year.

Cemetery-Cemetery Flags: Check all your flags

Veterans Assistance Program: NA

Road Race November 11, 2023: On the list for this month is to pick t-shirt color and sizes needed. Discussion of t-shirts needed:

NEED: Small 33, Med 56, Large 58, XL 34, XXL 0, 3XL 1. About \$600.00 of the prize money was returned or never claimed last year. We will pick

sizes and color next meeting.
Wreaths Across America 2023: NA

New Business:

Discuss and act on the American Legion roof project: The American Legion needed to put a new roof on the building. This project has been complete. The American Legion did receive a grant for \$5000.00 towards this project. Motion to donate \$2000.00 to the American Legion towards the roof project Bruce Putinas, Dan Morgan second. All in favor

Veterans Banner: In the parade we have use of a tractor that pulls a trailer for Veterans to ride on. We have a banner for one side of the trailer but could use a second one for the other side so the public would know that they are Veterans. Rick will speak with the sign company and get a price for a second banner.

Old Business: NA

Correspondence: NA

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 Bruce Putinas, Dan Morgan second. All in favor

Minutes submitted by Jill Caron