

East Windsor Veterans Commission Special Meeting Minutes
July 8, 2021 7pm
American Legion Post 40
7 Gardner Street East Windsor CT 06088

Call to order: 7:32

Pledge: Led by Jim Barton

Attendance: Jim Barton, Peter Sanders, Bob Lyke, Ken Crouch, Scott Morgan, Dan Morgan, Rick Webster

Absent: Gil Hayes, Bruce Putinas, Vic DeCapua, Bob Dynak, Mary Morgan

Public Session: NA

Added Agenda Item: NA

Secretary Report

Meeting minutes: Motion to approve the minutes as presented Scott Morgan, Peter Sanders second. All in favor

Treasurer Report: Ed has resigned from his position as treasurer and is taking a leave of absents from the commission. Peter Sanders will become the new treasurer for the commission. The balance in our account is \$29,662.63. Motion to approve the treasurer report as presented Scott Morgan, Dan Morgan second. All in favor

Chairman report: Attendance is becoming a real issue; we need all members to attend the meeting and participate in the events. We all must show up. The commission members need to be involved. The road race coming up is a big deal, Ed taking a leave of absence leaves a big void, we all need to step up. All members need to come to the meetings.

Committee Reports

Fundraising: NA

Publicity: All information that is given to Bob will be published. Bob: I will not be making any Facebook posts anymore. I have removed myself from Facebook. Do we need more members? Jim: We have no vacancies on the commission currently, we need members to be active and come to meetings.

Memorial Day: NA

Cemetery- Cemetery Flags: Ken: 7 flags are missing from Main Street in Broad Brook, not sure if the recent weather is the cause, but they need to be replaced. The kind of flags Windsor Locks uses are a little smaller and weatherproof, we should look into getting them. Jim: I have some flags; I will contact the Town Highway Department. Scott: there is some grass, or weeds growing in-between some of the bricks on the Memorial Green, I will try to remove them soon.

Service Officer: Discussion of PTSD, Agent Orange, needs of Veterans.

Road Race 2021: We have 2 contracts from the timing company Ken Platt, one contract is for all electronic forms, the other is for paper forms the way we have always done it. Contract 1: \$750.00 + 2.00 per racer Contract 2: \$990.00 + 2.00 per racer.

Jim: Can we go with another timer?

Rick: I will look into different timing companies for next year. If we want to go with Platt, we need the deposit to him by Aug 1 to secure the November 6th date. Discussion of road race procedures, sign-ups, logistics. The timing company is afraid of paper forms due to covid. Motion to stay with the current system of paper registrations the day of the road race, and Platt Timing company Bob Lyke, Scott Morgan second.

All in favor Motion to pay Platt Timing Company \$600.00 by August 1, 2021, for the race date of 11-6-2021 at 10 am Rick Webster, Scott Morgan second. All in favor

Shirts: 275 shirts, Color is up to the chairman

75 med

90 large

90 XL

15 2XL

5 3XL

Motion to order 275 shirts, 75 med, 90 large, 90 XL, 15 2XL, 5 3XL, Rick Webster, Scott Morgan second. All in favor

Motion to allow the color of the shirt to be at the discretion of the chairmen, Scott Morgan, Peter Sanders second. All in favor

We need a list of sponsors to contact, we can look at the back of shirts and contact Ed for a list. Rick will contact Ed and bring a list to the August meeting. Scott: I think we give out a good number of prizes. Rick: this needs to be a town event, not rushed. Jim:

We are not herding them out at the end of the race, it is people's choice to stay or go. It is up to the guests what they do. Rick: I feel there is an undercurrent of rushing. Just my feeling. Discussion of Fees: \$20.00 day of race, \$15.00 pre-registration, \$10.00 for kids, cut off day before the race, 2019 rates: 0-17 \$7.00, 18 and up \$15.00 after Nov 2 \$18.00. Motion to raise the rates to \$20.00 day of the race, \$15.00 pre-registration, \$10.00 for 16 and under, cut off the day before the race at midnight, Scott Morgan, Dan Morgan second. All in favor

The online sign-up with Platt will be added to the registration form and will be mailed out to all previous runners. Rick will have forms, envelopes for the next meeting.

Wreaths Across America: NA

New Business: NA

Old Business: NA

Correspondence: Thank you letter from scholarship winner Samantha Cramer

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 Scott Morgan, Bob Lyke second. All in favor