

VETERAN'S MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

Meeting of the Veterans Memorial Committee was held on May 23, 2022 at Wallingford Town Hall, Room 315. Chairman Ruth Palmer called the meeting to order at 7 pm. There were 11 members and 2 guests present.

Minutes from May 16 meeting were approved as presented.

Secretary has placards for cars to get onto parade grounds if anyone needs them. She also sent info for parade and service to newspaper, town website, parks and rec, and put on social media.

George Messier said that he got a call from Dean Dellavecchia at LHHS that Sheehan HS was unable to do the host position of the parade and the LHHS will take the lead, including inclement weather. Sheehan HS band will be in parade; brief discussion held.

Dave brought up the cars and wondered if we have enough; discussion. Hay cart pulled by Bruce Gallup will be available for anyone needing a ride.

George spoke to Parade Marshal Carol Hass, asking her to help/replace Rosemary DeAngelis as needed, as she just had knee surgery. He also requested that Ray Lilley ride in lead cruiser and fill in with remarks as parade progresses, and then get out at center of town to announce groups on small stage.

Secretary will ask Troop 1 / Mike Gagne to take lead of C Division. Mike Kudrick asked about expectations of Division commanders; discussion.

Bruce replaced flags at Dutton Park; discussion regarding old wreaths and flags up there.

Ray Rivera asked if church could do candles on alter like last year; secretary will send a picture to Father Collins to find out. Also Bob Avino and Ray Rivera will help out with large flag carry and fold at service. Parade Marshal asked what was asked of her at service; discussion.

George said that guest speaker has a family issue and may not be able to fulfill her obligation; Ray Lilley will be asked to fill in if that is the case.

Old Business – Bruce said that Space Force flag was ordered with pole and carrier. Hopes to have by parade.

Next meeting is June 6, 2022.

Meeting adjourned at 1949 after a moment of silence for departed members.

Respectfully submitted,

Elise M. Gallup
Secretary