East Windsor Veterans Commission Meeting Minutes for Thursday March 3, 2011

## **Opening:**

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. At the East Windsor Town Hall Meeting Room by the Vice Chairman Jim Barton. There were six members present: Jim Barton, Scott Morgan, Ed Filipone, Ron Hwalek, George Butenkoff, and Gil Hayes . A quorum was established. Absent: Ernie Teixeira, Rick Webster, and Cris Wentworth Guest Present: Mary Morgan

Vice Chairman, Jim Barton, led the commission in reciting The "Pledge of Allegiance." After the Pledge of Allegiance Jim, asked for a moment of silence. To honor the Soldiers that died over in Germany, and the soldier that died from Norwalk.

**Treasurer's Report:** Ed Filipone, Submitted an accounting of our treasury status for those present to review.

Ron Hwalek made a MOTION: to accept treasurer's report

Seconded by Jim Barton

Motion passed unanimously

Scott Morgan asked for a motion on behalf of Chairman Ernie Teixeira to use up to \$500, for 100 flag holders for the cemetery's for the deceased veterans.

Ron Hwalek made the **MOTION:** to let Ernie Teixeira use up to \$500, for 100 flag holders for the cemetery's for the deceased veterans.

Seconded by Jim Barton

Motion passed unanimously

Secretary's Report: Scott Morgan reviewed minutes from Tuesday, December 7, 2010 EWVC's meeting

**MOTION:** Ed Filipone moved to except Tuesday December 7, 2010 minutes as summited. Seconded by: Jim Barton

motion was carried unanimously

<u>Vietnam Wall Project</u> Next meeting will be held Monday March 14, 2011 at the American Legion Post in East Windsor, at 6:00 P.M.

Gil Hayes spoke about the dinner that the American Legion held on February 27, that included the people involved in bringing that wall to East Windsor. He mentioned that there was a film that was about an hour long, about the dog handlers during the Vietnam War. Gil said it was a very moving Film, because most dogs were put down when the United States left Vietnam. In Former wars soldiers were able to bring the patrol dogs home. Gil also mentioned he learned, that there is no memorial in Connecticut for the Vietnam patrol dogs, and they saved countless numbers of soldiers lives, during the war.

Scott Morgan mentioned that there were two men that went to the dinner, who hadn't seen each other since 1968 on the battle field in Vietnam.

Will be May 19-22, 2011 at East Windsor Park Looking For Volunteers to provide security and company to "The Wall That Heals"

**Flags:** Scott Morgan asked for a motion for the Veterans Commission to work with the American Legion in East Windsor to preform a Retiring the Flag Ceremony on Flag day, Tuesday June 14. George Butenkoff made the **motion:** and added that \$100 could be used for snacks and beverages Seconded by Gil Hayes

## **Motion Passed**

Scott said he would talk to the schools and to the post offices in East Windsor, if a sign and box could be left there to collect flags

<u>Added agenda:</u> George wanted to Mention that it was the 150 anniversary of the start of the Civil War. George looked up that 300 East Windsor citizens served in the Civil War. George would like someone to mention the 150 anniversary during the memorial day ceremony.

Hearing of no further business to come before the commission George Butenkoff made a **motion** to adjourn. Seconded by Ron Hwalek and carried unanimously.

Vice Chairman Jim Barton closed the meeting at 7:34 P.M.

The next Veterans commission meeting will be on April 7. 2011 at 7:00 P.M. East Windsor Town Hall meeting room.

Submitted by' Scott Morgan, Secretary of EWVC.

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_