

East Windsor Veterans Commission
Meeting Minutes
for
Thursday May 5, 2011

Opening:

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. At the East Windsor Town Hall Meeting Room by the Chairman Ernie Teixeira. There were six members present: Ernie Teixeira, Scott Morgan, Ed Filipone, , George Butenkoff, and Gil Hayes. A quorum was established.

Alternate: Mary Morgan was present

Honorary member: Ken Crouch was present

Absent: Jim Barton, Rick Webster, Vic DeCapua and Chris Wentworth

Guest Present: Dan Onofrio and William Thim

Chairman, Ernie Teixeira, led the commission in reciting The "Pledge of Allegiance."

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

Scott Morgan made a **MOTION:** to accept treasurer's report

Seconded by George Butenkoff

Motion passed unanimously

Secretary's Report Scott Morgan reviewed the minutes from the April 7, 2011 Veterans Commissions meeting. George Butenkoff made a **MOTION** to accept the minutes from the April meeting

Ed Filipone Seconded the motion. Scott Morgan sustained (was not present at last months meeting)

Motion passed

Vietnam Wall Project Next meeting will be held Monday May 9, 2011 at the American Legion Post in East Windsor, at 6:00 P.M.

Ernie asked Ken Crouch and Dan Onofrio have Bernard L. Pierce to be mentioned at the ceremonies. (he is the one soldier that East Windsor lost in the Vietnam War)

Dan Onofrio brought a booklet that will be handed out to the visitors to the the wall well it is here, for the Commission to view.

Ken Crouch brought a shirt for the commission to view that Volunteers will receive for donating their time with being security and staff during the event.

"The Wall That Heals" Will be in East Windsor May 19-22, 2011 at East Windsor Park

Looking For Volunteers to provide security and company to "The Wall That Heals"

Flags: Ernie had brought to the commissions attention, that he would need them to place flags at the towns cemetery's in front of the veterans stones, the Saturday before Memorial Day. Ed Filipone mentioned that the Commission would need to order another 864 flags for veterans graves next year.

Added agenda: Ernie asked guest William Thim if he had an update on his Eagle Scout bridge project that the Veterans Commission Sponsored. William Thim came forward and gave an update on the Bridge, William told us he had about 6 hours of work left, he still needs to dig the holes for the posts, and mount the posts in holes, the total cost of the bridge thus far has come out to be \$410, and he made the bridge handicap assessable. Ernie thanked William for coming and giving the commission an update.

Cemetery's: Ken Crouch mentioned to the Commission that some flags at the cemetery's are missing from people removing them from the grave sites. Ernie said that the Veterans cemetery in Windsorville needed maintenance, George made a **MOTION** to allow up to \$700 for landscaping to be done by Guzy Landscaping, to be done to make improvements to the veterans cemetery. Seconded by Gil Hayes.

Motion Passed

Carried out unanimously

Plaques: Ernie mentioned that the plaque in the meeting room was full and that we need another one for the donations that the commission receives for the flags on Main Street's in East Windsor and Broad Brook. Ken Crouch mentioned that a new plaque would cost about \$2000, \$860 for the new plaque (not engraved) and \$3.00 for each name that would be placed on the plaque. George Made a **Motion** to transfer up to \$2000 to the revolving account for a new plaque and its engraving, and seconded by Ed.

MOTION PASSED unanimously

Memorial Day: Ernie asked Gil Hayes if he'd be the MC for Memorial Day, Gil agreed. Ernie reported that Jen in the First Selectman's Office is putting together the program, for the Memorial Day ceremony's and everything is going as planned.

Scholarships: Ken Crouch brought the scholarships applications to the meeting, after reviewing and discussing all the applications the commission voted on the two recipients of the scholarships. Ernie read the two names of the recipients William Thim and Kayla Hersome. Scott Morgan made a **MOTION** that the commission give the scholarships to William Thim and Kayla Hersome, seconded by Gil Hayes

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

Chairman Ernie Teixeira closed the meeting at 9:14 P.M.

The next Veterans commission meeting will be on Thursday August 4, 2011 at 7:00 P.M. East Windsor Town Hall meeting room.

Submitted by'
Scott Morgan, Secretary of EWVC.

Approved: _____