PUBLIC CEREMONIES COMMITTEE Minutes of Oct 15, 2014 Rev 1

- The meeting was called to order at 7:12 p.m. In attendance: Richard Turner (RT), John Dyer (JD), Lily Ho Schlafer (LH), and Richard Brisk (RB). Absent: Bob Hanlon (BH) and Dennis Berry. Guest: Carl Bernardo (American Legion)
- 2) Minutes of the June 10^{th} meeting were approved as is.
- 3) Public Comment: none.
- 4) Public correspondence:
 - RT described the recent damage to the WWII war memorial across from the Villa. He also presented a copy of the letter of apology that Harrison Rovner, the driver of the car that hit the memorial, sent. The committee acknowledged the thoughtfulness of the letter and accepted Mr. Rovner's apology.
 - RT then presented George Bernard's letter in which he offered to organize a Veterans' Day program at the Trinitarian Church on November 11, 2015. The PCC unanimous accepted his offer.

Old Business

5) RT told us that Garrett R. Domolky's name is now on the Veterans Memorial. His is the 40th name. The memorial is now up to date with the names of all Wayland residents who died while in service.

New Business

5) Christopher Shaye was discussed.

Action Item RT: Ask Mat Ching to look up the circumstances of Chris' death.

6) Veterans Day Ceremony: November 11 & 12, 2014

We discussed the agenda for the day, including some key issues: i.e.,

- RT has already talked with Joe Oneschuck's about the HS band and echo taps.
- There will be a Veterans breakfast the following day
- We do not have a Chaplin. Arthur Stafus is no longer available.

We also talked about the "indoor" part for the day.

Cdr. Carl Bernardo mentioned that AL Post 133 has offered to host a reception with refreshments at noon on the 11th. At the reception Cdr. Bernardo, who led the I company in battle on the day Charles Alward was killed, will give a brief bio of Charles Alward (the person who AL Post 133 is named for). The bio will include mention that Charled Alward was the first person from Wayland to die in WWI. He was in the 101st infantry, 26th Yankee Division, third Batalion,. He was sent to Europe, and promoted to Sargent on Oct 22. He went to Verdun on Oct 23 and died on that day.

Two possible venues for the ceremony are the senior center and the Selectman's meeting room. The senior center is the more desireable of the two.

RT will ask Julie Secord if there is a conflict between our using the Senior Center that day and the breakfast in that area the following morning.

Furthermore, RT will ask if we can use the coffee pot that is in that room. If not, then we have to supply our own coffee pot. JD offered to bring his, if needed.

Action Item RT: Contact Julie Secord about using Senior Center and using the coffee pot. Action Item JD: Will prepare and send a press release of the Veterans Day Program to the Town Crier.

Action Item RB: Will tell RT if he will be at the Vets Day celebration to make the coffee.

Action Item RT: Ask Dennis Berry for permission to make Carl Bernardo an ex-officio member of the PCC .

Action Item for All PCC members: Think about nominees for the LMC award this spring.

The meeting adjourned at 8:11 p.m. The next PCC meeting was set for Wednesday, November 5 at 7:00pm.

Respectfully submitted Richard Brisk