PUBLIC CEREMONIES COMMITTEE Minutes of meeting on May 3, 2017

- 1) The committee meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. In attendance: Richard Turner (RT), George Bernard (GB), Carl Bernardo (CB) and John Dyer (JD) and Steven Streeter (SS). Not Present: Dennis Berry (DB)
- 2) Public Comment: No Public Comment
- 3) Old Business approved from April 12, 2017. The minutes were inadvertently entitled March 8 but were the minutes from April 12 at previous meeting.
- 4) New Business: All the new business had to do with the Memorial Day parade and program on Monday, May 29, 2017.
 - RT to work with the Girl Scouts to put up flag markers at an estimated 1400 graves at the various cemeteries in Wayland.
 - John Dyer working on finding a grand marshal for Memorial Day. Grand marshal to ride in Ford 1978 LTD State Police Cruiser.
 - There will be a Ford 1978 LTD State Police Cruiser in the parade. CB working on military vehicle and will know by May 4 if it is available.
 - RT stated that Carriage House Assisted Living will have a van with Veterans ride in the green section of the parade. RT to contact Traditions and Sunrise Assisted Living facilities to determine if their vans with Veterans will also be in the parade.
 - Unanimous decision to send remaining WPCC funds of current fiscal year in the amount of \$1,260.00 for new flags at Cochituate and Wayland Centers.
 - RT to show SS where podium and speaker system will be set up at Lakeview Cemetery on Memorial Day. SS to run sound system at Lakeview Cemetery on Memorial Day.
 - Parade applications due May 21. Parade to have a green section for Veterans and a Yellow section for Non-Veterans. CB to line up green section and GB to line up yellow section at Wayland Middle School at 10:30 on Memorial Day.
 - GB and JD to work on Freedom Prize. Currently waiting for Kevin Delaney, Chairman of Wayland High School social studies department to supply an estimated ten finalist papers for three judges to review. The judges have been selected and are ready to review the essays.

- Kevin Delaney has provided a high school student to read the "Gettysburg Address" at the Lakeview Cemetery program.
- Chaplain Major Woodford, Natick Soldier Systems Center (NSSC) has agreed to perform the Invocation and Benediction for the Lakeview Cemetery program and COL Charles H. May (NSSC) will be the guest speaker. Both SS and GB to meet with the chaplain and colonel at Natick Labs around mid-May to go over the requirements for the parade and program. Col May has 5 10 minutes to speak.
- RT to check with Joe Oneschuk of WHS for music on Memorial Day.
- Next meeting is Wednesday May 24 for final review of all details of the Memorial Day parade/program.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 P.M.

Respectfully submitted George Bernard 5/13/2017