

VETERAN'S MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

Meeting of the Veterans Memorial Committee was held on September 18, 2023 at Wallingford Town Hall, Room 315. Co-Chairman Doug Newell called the meeting to order at 7 pm. There were 9 members and 1 guest present.

Minutes from June 5 meeting were approved as submitted.

Beginning of planning for Veterans Day service:

- There is a need for a new Master of Ceremonies; George Messier nominated Secretary Elise Gallup for this; discussion held; motion carried
- Bob Avino brought up that we should go back to Town Hall; discussion held as to whether inside or outside; Roz Gallagher noted that the 2nd floor of Council Chambers is not available for use; need to know how many we can fit on first floor; Dave Gessert moved to move back to Town Hall, Council Chambers; Bob Avino amended motion to include outside weather permitting; David Kavia amended to say that this decision should depend on capacity; motion as amended carried.
- Speaker needed – Secretary noted that she knew a Marine Veteran from North Haven who would speak; discussion held; Ed Zolkiewicz also knew someone; David Kania volunteered to speak; Dave Gessert moved that Dave Kania be our guest speaker; motion carried.

Old Business – as per discussion last year, should we invite Antique Vets to participate; discussion held, George will contact them for availability; Roz asked about Garden Club involvement as well. Also discussed coffee and donuts, and it was decided not to do any more.

Next meeting is October 2.

Meeting adjourned at 1932 after a moment of silence for departed members.

Respectfully submitted,

Elise M. Gallup
Secretary