

VETERAN'S MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

Meeting of the Veterans Memorial Committee was held on May 24, 2021 at Wallingford Town Hall Town Council Chambers. Chairperson Ruth Palmer called the meeting to order at 1900. There were 10 members and 1 guest present.

Minutes for the May 10, 2021 meeting were approved as submitted.

Secretary reported plaques for speaker, marshal, and church were all ordered.

Discussion held regarding church service. Members should be at church for 1800; service at 1900. The church was provided with a copy of program. Discussions also held regarding number of programs, readers for names, and "donation" to church. As Father Mendoza was unwilling to provide an invoice, the organist and cantor are; after discussion, George Messier moved to accept this proposal as described; motion carried.

Discussion held regarding Memorial Day service, specifically setup. The podium will be on the stairs, and George will have 40 chairs available. Lt. Col. DeAngelis will place wreath, assisted by Bruce Gallup. Wreath stand will be placed near podium, and wreath will be relocated after service to a monument. George also noted Gold Star banner will be hung from front of Town Hall above doors, and that David Gade will walk sidewalk for Amazing Grace, and rifle squad will be on north side of monuments.

George brought up that John Sullivan was not asked to make remarks before service, as it would be redundant to what was said during service.

New Business – Mike Kudrick submitted Bob Avino from VFW 591 for the committee and moved that he be added; motion carried. George noted that addition of name to Vietnam monument was in process, and short discussion held on where on the monument name should be located.

Secretary will add a critique meeting to the schedule sometime in June.

Ruth moved to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 1949 after a moment of silence for departed members.

Respectfully submitted,

Elise M. Gallup
Secretary