

VETERAN'S MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

Meeting of the Veterans Memorial Committee was held on September 26, 2022 at Wallingford Town Hall, Room 315. Chairman Ruth Palmer called the meeting to order at 7 pm. There were 10 members and 1 guest present.

Minutes from September 12 meeting were approved as presented.

Secretary Elise moved to add David Kania from the Civil Air Patrol to the committee; motion carried

Election of officers – Dave Gessert nominated Ruth Palmer for Chair, motion carried. Co-chair election tabled until next meeting.

Ray Ross has arranged for music from the SCOW group band, as well as singers from the group for the National Anthem. He also took care of school permit and will arrange for music.

Dave Gessert said Rev. Dean Warburton would serve as clergy, and he is working on someone for Pledge of Allegiance.

George Messier brought up that, instead of a speaker, we should invite 4 or 5 people to tell their amusing stories from their service years and lighten it up a bit. Discussion ensued, and it was decided to do that.

Master of Ceremonies – George will ask Ray Lilley.

Dave will get the Legion ball players to pass out programs and flags again.

Discussion held regarding whether we should have donuts and coffee; Post 73 will decide what to do.

Discussion held regarding program; Ed Zolkiewicz will do program with perhaps a Welcome Space Force theme, as we are including that as a Service flag this year. Also discussed color guards and how to have it so they can be seated.

New Business – George talked about the Veterans Day program at Senior Center and asked if anyone had been approached to participate on Nov. 11.

Dave Kania will get members of CAP to help with Air Force and Space Force flags.

Ed asked about flag stands for service flags; discussion held. Bruce Gallup will get pricing for next meeting.

Next meeting is October 3, 2022.

Meeting adjourned at 1937 after a moment of silence for departed members.

Respectfully submitted,

Elise M. Gallup
Secretary