

VETERAN'S MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

Meeting of the Veterans Memorial Committee was held on March 20, 2023 at Wallingford Town Hall, Room 220. Chairman Ruth Palmer called the meeting to order at 7 pm. There were 8 members and 1 guest present.

Minutes from January 23 meeting were approved as submitted.

Discussions regarding parade details:

- Speaker - George Messier is still working on, Ray Rivera said no one has responded at Post.
- Church – will do Most Holy Trinity again – George will talk to Fr. Mendoza
- Bands – Bill Celata to speak to Dean Dellavecchia at Lyman Hall
- Ed Zolkiewicz will contact David Gade for bagpipes
- Secretary asking for volunteers to help with publicity and groups
- Speaker system and set up at Dutton Park – need to reform color guards so they are off to sides; Bill can mark out again; also needs to see about getting wires repaired for speakers.
- Misc. – speaker in lead cruiser, cart from orchard for Veterans to ride in, second platform by church in center of town.
- Theme of programs will be 50th Anniversary of Vietnam Peace Accord (1973); Star Spangled Banner could be used as an alternate theme at another time.

New Business – George mentioned the service at Dutton Park on March 29 at 6 pm sponsored by Veterans Coffeehouse.

Next meeting is April 3, 2023.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Elise M. Gallup
Secretary