

VETERANS, CEREMONY AND PARADE COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
April 13, 2015

The Veterans, Ceremony and Parade Commission held their regular meeting on Monday, April 13, 2015 at the Memorial Flagpole and in the Fowler Memorial Building, 45 New Haven Avenue, Milford. Chairman T. Flowers called the meeting to order at 6:30PM and those present stood for the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

I. Roll Call

MEMBERS PRESENT

Thomas Flowers, Chairman
Christine Smith, Vice Chairman
John Jansen
Russell Edwards

EXCUSED

Gregory Smith
Pattie Deer
Christopher Roberts

GUESTS PRESENT

Richard Shea
Wayne Carson

- II. Consideration of Minutes: March 9, 2015 Minutes were reviewed. Motion made by C. Smith that the minutes be accepted as written; seconded by J. Jansen. All in favor; motion carried.
- III. Public Comment/Questions: None.
- IV. Chairman's Report: None.
- V. Unfinished Business:
- a) Memorial Day
 - a. Meeting commenced on the Green to view Veteran monuments and the Memorial Flagpole. There appears to be space on the top of the granite base of the Flagpole to have Corporal Pierson's name engraved. T. Flowers to brief Mayor Blake and the Dept. of Public Works as to the Commission's findings and determine proper protocol. He will also obtain a price quotation from Milford Monument to perform the granite etching.
 - b. G. Smith will be creating a Facebook page; anticipate it going live by May 1.
 - c. C. Smith sent out letters / press releases this week to press, organizations, dignitaries, etc.
 - d. Chairman Flowers responded to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War request to march in the Memorial Day Parade. However, the organization declined.
 - e. T. Flowers also received an inquiry from the Milford Public Library, regarding a new "Community Reads Program: One Story, One City" that they hoped to incorporate in the Memorial Day activities. They have decided to make other arrangements.
 - f. Cemetery flags and wreaths to be ordered shortly by T. Flowers.
 - b) Budget Meeting –Mayor Blake has recommended no change to the VCPC budget. Chairman Flowers met with the Finance Committee on February 12, 2015 regarding this year's budget and will appear before the Milford Board of Aldermen on April 22, 2015 to finalize.

VI. Good of the Order:

- a) VFW Post 7788 is holding their annual “Day for a Vet” on April 26, 2015. Donations of items (i.e. snack food, toiletries, socks, etc.) to fill backpacks welcome. Anticipate 175 veterans participating.

VII. Possible Agenda Topics: None.

VIII. Announcements: None.

Being no further business to discuss, C. Smith made a motion to adjourn, seconded by J. Jansen. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:05PM.

Next meeting will be held on May 11, 2015 at 7PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Durner
Recording Secretary