

VETERANS COMMISSION AGENDA

740 MAIN STREET

EAST HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT

Goodwin University Vet Center/OASIS on the 2nd floor

Memorial Day Parade Committee Meeting

February 7, 2023 5:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance with moment of silence for the fallen

5:00 p.m.

- 1) CALL TO ORDER
- 2) ROLL CALL
- 3) AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA.
- 4) OPPORTUNITY FOR RESIDENTS TO ADDRESS THE COMMITTEE
- 5) OLD BUSINESS
- 6) NEW BUSINESS
 - (a) Memorial Day parade. Report from Team leaders.
 - (1) Candy Guastamachio – Parade Team Leader
 - (2) Craig Jordan – Presentation and speakers Team Leader
 - (3) Connor Martin – Post event Team Leader
 - (b) Participant enrollment forms
 - (c) Sponsorship Red, white, and blue levels. Differential with ad benefits.
 - (d) Review of suggested improvements – see attached.
- 7) ADJOURNMENT

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- 1) Need for a first aid tent
- 2) Tents to be place 1) along the route on Riverside Drive in the area that has been cleared out next to the Yacht Club & 2) Tent to be placed in the front of the main building- front of the reviewing stand
- 3) Breakfast trucks to be located in both of the areas listed in number 2 above
- 4) Make parking on campus a priority - we had plenty of room and puts people right there for everything
- 5) Someone to assist Candy lining the parade up - someone very dependable and assertive
- 6) Need for some "American Cuisine" at the town celebration - hot dogs, burgers, pizza - the food trucks were great and eclectic but we were missing that "All American" Cuisine!
- 7) One Grand Marshal only & review of last year's program to fill in for those who will not be around this year.
- 8) Need for one person to take over for the signage/advertisers and make sure that they are placed in the appropriate locations
- 9) I would prefer to be located at the entrance to The Star during the parade rather than be announcing at The Reviewing Stand - maybe a town official would be more appropriate there?
- 10) Stress the need to get Pratt & Whitney/UTC in the parade