

# PATRIOTIC COMMISSION

**REGULAR MEETING**

**April 19, 2017**

A quorum being present, Chairperson Melodie Wilson called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.

**PRESENT:**  Peter Beley, John Cook, Vinny Parys, Gene Pushefski, Josh Ouintana, Awet Tsegai, Melodie Wilson.

**Excused:** Greg Sims, Tim Siggia.

**ABSENT:**  Doug Margelony

**OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO SPEAK:**  Ms. Candy Gustamachio,

East Harford High School music teacher.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Commissioner Vinny Parys motioned to accept the minutes of March 15, 2017 as is, 2nd by Commissioner Awet Tsegai.

**MOTION:** Approvedand uncontested.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**  Commissioner Vinny Parys received the invoice for the 57 gross of flags in the amount of $5,529.00.

**Motion:**

**TREASURERS REPORT:** $7296.73

**MOTION:**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**  Commissioner Commissioner Peter Beley reported that for further reference that the Veterans Hilltop facility would not charge the Patriotic Commission a fee. Commissioner Awet Tsegai suggested that the May 26 celebration be named” Memorial Day Remembrance”. Chairperson Melodie Wilson suggested that the East Hartford High School student art class create wreaths. Motioned by Commissioner Vinny Parys, 2nd by Commissioner Gene Pushefski. Commissioner Josh Quintantana objected suggesting that the High School students were bearing the brunt of the responsibilities. He motioned that should the students could not complete the wreaths that the Patriotic Commission will accept the responsibilities, 2nd by Commissioner Vinny Parys. Commissioner John Cook motioned for the Commission to purchase programs of 500 @ the cost of $7.00 per 100, 2nd by Commissioner Vinny Parys.

**MOTIONS:**  Approved and uncontested.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Commissioner Josh Quintana suggested a “special Commission Meeting” to finalize the Memorial Day Program. Chairperson Melodie Wilson called for the special Commission meeting to be held on Wednesday, May 3rd. Commissioner Gene Pushefski motioned to pay the clerk, 2nd by Commissioner Awet Tsegai.

**MOTIONS:** Approved and uncontested.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Commissioner Vinny Parys motioned to adjourn at 8:30 p.m. 2nd Commissioner Gene Pushefski.

**MOTION:** Approved and uncontested.

**Next Meeting: “SPECIAL MEETING” WEDNESDAY MAY 3RD, REGULAR MEETING WEDNESDAY MAY 17, 2017.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Robin E. Parys, Clerk**

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**CC: Town Clerk (original)**

**Commissioners/Office of the Mayor**