

VETERANS COMMISSION MINUTES
MICROSOFT "TEAMS" MEETING
740 MAIN STREET
EAST HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT

May 12, 2021 7:00 p.m.

Present: Chairman Cook, Timothy Siggia, Vincent Parys, James Shelmerdine, Richard Bates.

Absent: Tia Woods and Melodie Wilson

Pledge of Allegiance led by Timothy Siggia.

- 1) CALL TO ORDER: Commission Cook called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.
- 2) AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA: none
- 3) ROLL CALL: as indicated above.
- 4) OPPORTUNITY FOR RESIDENTS TO ADDRESS THE COMMISSION: none
- 5) APPROVAL OF MINUTES from April 7, 2021 and May 5, 2021 special meetings.

MOTION By Vincent Parys
Seconded by Timothy Siggia
Motion carried 5/0

6) COMMUNICATIONS AND INVOICES

7) OLD BUSINESS

a) Preparations for Memorial Day

- i Flag placements May 22, 2021 @ 8:00am Hillside Cemetery.
- ii Work assignments: per the May 5th minutes with the exception that Vincent Parys will oversee Hillside Cemetery.
- iii We have not been able to locate a Chaplin for Saturday morning.

b) Program at Bicentennial Park - May 30, 2021 at 6:00PM.

- i Design of program is being designed by John Cook and will be proofed by Tia Woods.
- ii Proofing of program proof: Tia Woods will proof.
- iii Printing of program: Brescia Printing on Connecticut Blvd has offered to print. We have agreed to add an acknowledgement to the program for their assistance.
- iv Approval of cost of printing: not needed as Brescia Printing will donate the printing.
- v Honor Guard for posting of Colors: we will contact the Fire Department to see if their Honor Guard will assist us.
- vi Honor Guard for Rifle salute: Commissioner Shelmerdine has made arrangement with the Korean War Veterans to provide an Honor Guard.
- vii Trumpeter for Taps: contacting High School for a trumpeter.
- viii Commissioner Shelmerdine will obtain 2 wreaths; one for May 22nd for Hillside Cemetery and one for May 30th for Bicentennial Park. A motion was made to authorize the purchase of the wreaths up to \$230 per wreath.

MOTION By James Shelmerdine
Seconded by Timothy Siggia
Motion carried 5/0

c) Finding a Chaplin for services prior to Flag placements and Invocation and Benediction at Bicentennial Park.

8) NEW BUSINESS: none

9) ADJOURNMENT at 7:36 PM.

MOTION By James Shelmerdine
Seconded by Timothy Siggia
Motion carried 5/0