# VETERANS COMMISSION MINUTES 

740 MAIN STREET
EAST HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT
Town Hall, Welling Conference Room on $2^{\text {nd }}$ floor
December 8, 2021 7:00 p.m.

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

Absent: Melodie Wilson
Pledge of Allegiance led by Dan Lareau.

1) CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Cook called the meeting to order at $7: 00 \mathrm{pm}$.
2) AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA: none
3) ROLL CALL: as indicated above.
4) OPPORTUNITY FOR RESIDENTS TO ADDRESS THE COMMISSION:
5) APPROVAL OF MINUTES from November 17, 2021 meeting.

MOTION By James Shelmerdine
Seconded by Dan Lareau
Motion carried 6/0
6) COMMUNICATIONS AND INVOICES.
a) Tia Woods has resigned from the commission.
b) Daniel Lareau has been duly appointed and sworn in as a new member of the commission.

## 7) OLD BUSINESS

a) Commissioner Cook reported on the recommendation from the Parade Committee concerning the parade route. The committee is recommending starting the parade at the junction of Willow St and Riverside Dr, using Willow St. as a staging area and proceeding south on Riverside Dr. to the Fallen Star Monument. The distance is approximately $6 / 10^{\text {th }}$ of a mile. A motion was made to accept this recommendation.

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MOTION By James Shelmerdine
Seconded by Tim Siggia
Motion carried 6/0
8) NEW BUSINESS:
a) Commissioner Cook will approach Raymond Library on the possibility to establish a "Home Town Heroes" archive where veteran's stories, pictures and other items can be archived for future generations.
b) Commission Bates is going to look into the cost and availability of grave markers that can be attached to a veteran's headstone to readily identify the headstone as belonging to a veteran.
9) ADJOURNMENT at 8:15 PM.

MOTION By Vinnie Parys
Seconded by James Shelmerdine
Motion carried 6/0

