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York Maine Committee for Veterans Affairs Meeting Minutes

6pm, Tuesday, April 26, 2022
York Police Department, Training Room

Members present: Bill Blaisdell, Jimmy Carabello, Roger Clements, Lew DiTommaso, Michael Dow, Mel Spelman, Barry Waddell. Absent; Wade Fox. Alternate member Don LeFante. Others present; Major General Tom Spencer, Justin Thomas.

Call To Order

1. **Minutes from March 22 2022** meeting reviewed. Barry Waddell motioned; Jimmy Carabello seconded. Approved 7-0

2. **Budget Status; Bill Blaisdell;**

a. Michael questioned 3 items that were obligated and should be considered as paid. These were for Jet Marketing Street Banners (Clark, LaBonte, Clapp) \$1300 on 8/24/21; Jet Marketing Street Banner (Cummings) \$200 on 9/28/21; Misc: expenditures for image modifications \$152.86 1/14/22.

b. Determined that further discussion is needed on budget post meeting and prior to May CVA meeting.

3. **Chairman's Report; Barry Waddell;**

a. Flag Retirement; Everything is proceeding as designed with Heritage Monuments.

b. March 29--National Vietnam War Veterans Day at Parsons Center. The ceremony was received well by those who attended.

c. Memorial Day Sub-Committee and Status Report; Little progress on Sub-Committee. Lengthy discussion followed with actions moving forward (See attachment for details.)

d. Motion to order (9) wreaths for placement during Memorial Day Parade @ \$50 each (Total cost not to exceed \$500) from York Flower Shop. Barry motioned, Roger seconded. Motion approved 7-0.



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- e. Motion by Mel to approve \$50 for PA system rental (Lew will be procuring the system from Guitar Center in Portsmouth), Barry seconded. Motion approved 7-0.
- f. Calendar events; Upcoming Memorial Day meeting scheduled for 5/10/22 will be chaired by Roger Clement. Barry will be out of town.
- g. Will need 2 new committee alternates as of 1 July when Bill and Barry step down.

4. Placement of Purple Heart Flags; Jimmy Carabello; It was determined that none of the flags that were approved on 2/8/22 (Cost not to exceed \$400) were ordered. Action in place to proceed through the proper channels moving forward.

5. York Schools Update, Roger Clements; n/a

6. WAA Update, Lew DiTommaso; Facebook Group has been created. Will be populating the page as the year goes by.

7. CVA Website update, Lew DiTommaso; n/a

8. VFW Update, Jimmy Carabello; n/a

9. American Legion report; Wade Fox n/a

10. Street banners Update, Michael Dow; Street banners will be up next week (Week of May 2, 2022).

11. Old Business, Mel Spelman; Mel handed out a mock up of a completed gate-fold pamphlet. Discussion to continue on final costs and amendments.

12. Barry Motioned to adjourn at 8:04pm. Mel seconded. Approved 7-0