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**BRANFORD  
VETERANS PARADE COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**Date/Time: October 11, 2023 4:30 PM**  
**Location: Branford Community House**

  
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**Agenda/Old Business:**

- **Call to order at 4:30pm** In attendance were: John Fitzgerald, Harvey Goldstein, Dennis Flanigan, Alex Palluzzi, Elliot Hastings, Phil Zielinski, Bill O'Brien, Don Langlois and Ray Ingraham

**Update on marching units / booklet:**

Branford Public Schools emails sent - awaiting reply

Town Band (emails sent - awaiting reply)

K of C (emails sent - awaiting reply)

Branford Fire Dept (Fitz will contact)

Branford Little League (emails sent - awaiting reply)

Governor's Foot Guard (Ed checking on availability)

Town Band confirmed participation.

K of C had no responded

Branford Fire Dept will participate

Branford Little League did not reply to an invitation to participate

New Haven Firefighters Emerald Society Band - awaiting a reply.

**Parade Marshal Update** Joe Carradino was unanimously approved to serve as Parade Marshal and guest speaker.

**Essay Contest Update** Bill O'Brien has contacted Sen Christine Cohen's office about taking over the Veteran's Day Essay contest. Will have a definite answer for committee's next meeting.

**Governor's Foot Guard** confirmed their participation.


**New Business:**

A. J Fitzgerald received approval from the State for the parade route which was endorsed by Branford Police Department.

B. J Fitzgerald will confirm Vinny Giordono will serve as emcee for the Veterans Day Ceremony on the green.

- C. Steve Vacca (bugler) confirmed attendance
- C. Phil Zeilinski will confirm Public Works is all set with the dais, barriers, etc. for the green/parade.
- D. Alex Palluzzi will confirm town selectmen have been invited to the parade; Dennis Nardella will setup the sound system; and will ensure wreaths have been ordered.
- E. Ed Masotta prepared a request for National Guard participation in the parade. Request was signed by Fitzgerald and submitted-awaiting a reply.

-Adjournment at 5:30

SUBMITTED By   
JOHN FITZGERALD