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Veterans Day Parade Minutes April 12, 2018

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Members Present: Dennis Flanigan, Mary Grande, Elliott Hastings, Ray Ingraham, Frank Kinney, Bill O'Brien, Juris Patrylak, Dana Strickland, Phil Zielinski

Town Liaison: Alex Palluzzi, Jr.

Meeting Called to Order 6:15pm

I Approval of March 8, 2018 Minutes. Motion to approve minutes was made after correction to reflect Elliott Hastings was at meeting and that it was Vincent Thomas not Francis. Dennis Flanigan motioned and Ray Ingraham second. Motion carried.

II Financial Report – presented by Bill O'Brien

III Update on Marching Units – Branford HS Band confirmed, Town Band, Take – A-Vet Fishing, Branford Lions. Have not heard from a number of units and Bill will follow up. Leah Whitman contacted Bill to tell him that she would be at the parade

During the update a discussion was had about the parade marshals. As we are honoring WWII veterans not many may have the capability of being part of the parade itself. Discussion about perhaps an article and photo session in a central location with the veterans to put into the paper about who they are. Also instead of speaking at the parade have a 3-4 brief biography of each of the marshals and have it read. Some of the veterans are Stan Petela, Bill Brody, Ira Lewis, Vinnie Thomas, Tony Pagnataro, Toni Kuhlman, Donald Robinson, Grant Briggs.

IV Report of Scout Groups – Juris Patrylak reported the letters to the boy scout and girl scout troops is out.

V Branford Clergy – Elliott Hastings will speak to Steve Chamberlain about participating in the parade ceremonies representing the church community

VI Application for High School Gym – Dennis Flanigan has confirmed the gym in case of rain

VII Essay Contest – Bill has been giving thought on how to go about the essay contest. He will be meeting with Superintendent Hernandez to talk about making in voluntary.

Other Business: Make sure the egg sandwiches are ready for committee day of parade at 6:30pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary Grande