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VETERANS PARADE COMMITTEE MEETING

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FEBRUARY 15, 2017 MINUTES

Call to Order at 7:05 pm. This is a Special Meeting replacing the meeting originally scheduled for February 9 postponed because of blizzard

Members Present: Dennis Flanigan, Juris Patrylak, Phil Zielinski, Frank Kinney, Dana Strickland, Bill O'Brien.

It was noted the Sgt Paul Hanaway was reassigned to Japan and has resigned from the parade committee and Richard Hansen has resigned because heavy workload and other obligations.

Minutes of the November 30, 2016 meeting were approved by Dennis Flanigan and seconded by Juris Patrylak.

The financial report prepared by the Finance Department for Fiscal Year 2016 was reviewed.

The committee discussed marching units for the May 29 2017 Memorial Day Parade. All units from the Veterans Day Parade will be invited to march. Dennis Flanigan offered to contact Major Richard Greenalch about the Second Company Governors Foot Guard marching on Memorial Day. Bill O'Brien will contact the others by the next meeting on March 9.

Several names were discussed to be the Parade Marshall and give the talk. Bill Brody will be contacted by Dennis Flanigan. They are both members of American Legion Post 83.

The committee will continue to seek Branford clergy to provide the Invocation and Benediction at future parades.

Dennis Flanigan offered to make an application to use the high school gymnasium if this year's Memorial Day Parade has inclement weather.

Dennis Flanigan also offered to contact First Selectman Jamie Coasgrove to have the parade ceremonies put on his calendar.

The next meeting will be on March 9 2017 at 7:00 pm at the Community House

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Bill O'Brien Chairman