

Pembroke Memorial Committee Minutes

September 25, 2019

Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Osbourne at 7PM at Veterans Hall at Pembroke Town Hall. Present at the meeting were Linda Osbourne, David McPhillips, Andrew Pongrantz, Mark Moneypenny, Kathleen Keegan and Sean Keegan.

Veterans Day Ceremonies

- a. Pembroke High School Choir has been contacted and is ready.
- b. Program will be prepared when clergy and speakers are determined.
- c. Instead of American Legion Commander speaking (unavailable) the committee will search out a guest speaker and the Chair of Board of Selectman will also continue as a speaker.

Fund Raising

- a. Mr. McPhillips asked if the Committee would be able to do fundraising such as selling poppies at Stop and Shop on the 4th of July. Chairperson Osbourne explained that the Committee is not allowed to fund raise but a “ Friends of “ group could be formed . Mr. McPhillips said that he would explore the formation of such a group.
- b. Andrew Pongrantz made a motion that Mr. McPhillips should be allowed to do so. The motion was seconded and passed.

Ted White Memorial Island

- a. Mr. McPhillips explained that funds have been approved for a replacement for the missing Ted White plaque by the Community Preservation Committee. New plaque can be built after the Town Meeting approves the budget.
- b. Mr. McPhillips reported that there is still a \$300.00 bill owed to Quincy Memorial for the Kenneth Handy plaque.
- c. Andrew Pongrantz made a motion that the bill be paid. The motion was seconded and passed.

Veteran's Hall

- a. Mr. McPhillips reported that there is an open spot in the Hall where Viet Nam Veterans are supposed to be honored. Mr. McPhillips said that at a meeting with Viet Nam Veterans they expressed a desire to have a display similar to the WW I section. That would include a shadow box with a replica M-16 in it.
- b. Mr. McPhillips reported that he had a piece of wood from the USS Constitution and would like to donate it to the War of 1812 area.
- c. Mr. McPhillips said that he would investigate funding and Selectmen approval.
- d. A motion was made by Andrew Pongrantz to allowed Mr. McPhillips to proceed and the motion was seconded and passed.

Old Business

- a. None

New Business

- a. Linda Osbourne nominated Jerry Clemons to be a new Committee Member.
- b. Andrew Pongrantz motioned for a vote to accept Jerry Clemons as a new Committee Member. The motion was seconded and passed.
- c. Mrs. Keagan expressed a desire for the Committee to explore making 9/11 an event much like the Committee does for Memorial Day and Veteran's Day.
- d. Andrew Pongrantz motioned that Mrs. Keagan be allowed to explore possible ways that the Committee could honor 9/11 – the motion was seconded and passed.
- e. Andrew Pongrantz reported that Brandon Goldnick was accepting bids that were due by September 27th to begin the enhancing of Veterans Park.
- f. Mr. McPhillips explained that the Pembroke Mariner could no longer promise to cover Committee events such as Memorial Day or Veterans Day. However after contacting the editor the paper is agreeable to having the Committee submit their own story and photos.

A motion was made and passed to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.