



Veterans Commission

TOWN OF BERLIN
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Kensington, CT 06037

VETERANS COMMISSION MINUTES **Tuesday, September 05, 2023, at 7:00 PM** **AMERICAN LEGION POST 68, 154 PORTERS PASS, BERLIN, CT**

Call to Order:

Chairman Charles Colaresi called the Meeting of the Berlin Veterans Commission to order at 7:00 PM at the American Legion Post 68 154 Porters Pass, Berlin, CT.

Pledge of Allegiance & Moment of Silence:

Roll Call of Officers:

Charles Colaresi, Bruce Trevethan, Peter Galgano Jr., Dean Revoir, and Adam Revoir were present. Paul Eshoo and Thomas Uznanski were excused.

Audience of Citizens: - None.

Approval of Minutes:

June 06, 2023, minutes were read, motion by Bruce Trevethan to approve as written, seconded by Adam Revoir, all in favor, motion passed.

Correspondence: We received a card from Peter Antioho's (Berlin Veteran who died from 2 brain cancers from the burn pits in Afghanistan) parents Mark & Grace Antioho that said "Dear Mr. Galgano, We are grateful for your support of Peter, Amy, and Mark, and your continued work with the Berlin Veterans. Sincerely, Mark and Grace Antioho". In the card was a \$400 check made out to the Berlin Veterans Commission. Charles said that he would take it to Town Hall and put it into one of the Veterans Commission accounts where needed.

Old Business:

Charles said that he put 5 bricks in since our last meeting, Peter and I went to Police Commission meeting in June and presented a Thank You Certificate for Matt McNally, Berlin Police Chief for being our Guest Speaker at this year's Memorial Day Ceremony. He was very happy to receive it and said that we didn't have to do this. Charles said that we appreciate everything you do for us and your speech was really inspiring.

New Business:

Charles said that at the upcoming Veterans Day Ceremony in November, he would like Adam Revoir to be the MC and to have Dean Revoir as the Guest Speaker.

Charles also asked Peter to make a Thank You Certificate for Matt McNally, Berlin Police Chief for being our Guest Speaker at this year's Memorial Day Ceremony. We will be presenting him the certificate at the Berlin Police Commission meeting on Wednesday, June 21st.

Peter said that Charles and I, got a letter from Town Manager Aroscha to have a meeting at Town Hall this week or next about getting signs put up for the Berlin Veterans Memorial Park, CT Gold Star Families

Memorial Monument, and the America's Wars Walkway. They have it pretty well set, and we should find out when we can get the signs.

Charles said that he will see if we can get the VFW for Veterans Day in case it rains.

Charles also said that Steve Wood and his guys fixed the deck in by the pond to be handicapped sufficient. The cub scouts came and cleaned the park again (they do this at least once a month). The Sprinkler system is still being worked on with the DEP, because of the cap, but we are getting closer. Steve Woods said that they are buying 2 new fountains in the pond, that are guaranteed for 10 years and will have Red, White, and Blue lights in them at night and when we have concerts by the pond, the flashing can be programmed to sync with the beat of the music. The company will also remove for the wintertime and put back in for the spring and summer.

Peter said that we will be at the Berlin Fair again in the Historic Society's Barn. We have been doing this for 4 years. I'm there everyday from Thursday to Sunday from beginning to end. It would be great if any of you can help me. If you can please contact me and let me know what days and hours, because I would have to get you admission tickets and set the schedule.

Chairman Comments:

Charles Colaresi said that our next meeting will be on Tuesday, October 03, 2023, at 7.00PM at the American Legion Post 68 on Porters Pass.

Adjournment: Motion by Bruce Trevethan to adjourn, seconded by Dean Revoir, all in favor, meeting adjourned at 7:35PM.

Respectfully submitted by,



Peter Galgano Jr., Secretary

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