



Veterans Commission

TOWN OF BERLIN
240 Kensington Road
Kensington, CT 06037

VETERANS COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES **Monday, November 06, 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, Thomas Uznanski, Bruce Trevethan, Peter Galgano Jr., Dean Revoir and Adam Revoir were present. Paul Eshoo was absent.

Audience of Citizens: - None.

Approval of Minutes:

October 03, 2023, minutes were read, motion by Thomas Uznanski to approve as written, seconded by Bruce Trevethan, all in favor, motion passed.

Correspondence: Charles said we received a letter from Commissioner Ron Welch of the Connecticut Department of Veterans Affairs, saying he would like to thank us for our generous donation to support the DVA's Stand Down event, held on September 22, 2023. He said that Stand Down would not be possible without the help gracious contributions such as ours from the Berlin Veterans Commission. With most gratitude, we acknowledge you for sharing in our mission of "Serving Those Who Served".

Old Business:

Charles said that the VFW is all secured in case it rains, but it looks like it's going to be a nice day. The Mayor called me, and he is going to speak at the Veterans Day Ceremony. Peter has the BHS Madrigal Singers and the Saxophone Quartet all set to sing and play at the ceremony. He also has two BHS Trumpet Players to play Taps. Father Joe and Cliff Cote will take care of the prayers.

Charles also said that he and Peter discussed with the town about the signs for the Veterans Memorial Park and the Gold Star Families Memorial Monument. We made a few changes, and it was accepted by the town and that they would be getting back to us about the locations.

New Business:

Charles said he spoke to Donna Veach about renaming the Christian Lane Bridge to be the "**Gold Star Families Memorial Bridge**". Donna said that she was going to look into that and that it would be easier to do that, and it shouldn't take as much time as the signs are taking.

Charles also said that he and Peter changed all of the flags at the monument. Amy Peyton and the scouts came in on Sunday and they picked up all of the trash around the park. Then on Friday, November 10th, they put in little American Flags all around the park.

Charles said the Berlin Lions Club will setup during the ceremony to sell more luminaries. Then at 2:00PM, they will start put up all the luminaries around the park, down Farmington Ave and all the monuments on Worthington Ridge.

Chairman Comments:

Charles Colaresi said that our next meeting will be on Tuesday, December 05, 2023, at 7:00PM at the American Legion Post 68 on Porters Pass.

Adjournment: Motion by Bruce Trevethan to adjourn, seconded by Thomas Uznanski, all in favor, meeting adjourned at 7:45PM.

Respectfully submitted by,



Peter Galgano Jr., Secretary



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