



**TOWN of DARIEN  
MONUMENTS & CEREMONIES  
COMMISSION**

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**MINUTES FOR MEETING HELD FEBRUARY 11, 2014**

**PRESENT:** John Geoghegan, Ken Reiss, Chick Scribner, Sueann Schorr, Ian Konecke, Terry Gaffney, Rollie Holub, Marian Castell. A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order at 2:30 by Terry Gaffney in Phil Kraft's absence.

**MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING:** Having been previously distributed and read, a motion was made to approve the minutes with a notation that the discussions regarding Wreaths Across America and the VFW Hall, while not part of the official business of the Commission, are included as addenda for points of information for those concerned, so seconded, and passed unanimously.

**MEMORIAL DAY PARADE COMMITTEE PROGRESS-** Committee has yet to meet. First meeting will be on February 24<sup>th</sup>. Sara Franzese and one additional delegate of her choosing will be invited to our next meeting.

**MEMORIAL DAY ESSAY CONTEST-** No direct feedback from Board of Education yet; Terry Gaffney to remind both MMS & DHS. Topic for this year's essay is: **MEMORIAL DAY: Remembering and honoring those who gave their lives in service to our country?** Terry to contact those teachers who last year expressed support as well as the Board of Ed contacts.

**MEMORIAL DAY CEMETERY PROGRESS-** Both Grand Marshall and Guest Speaker's biographical sketches have been handed shared with the Memorial Day Parade Committee.

**DISPLAY CASE SCHEDULE-** Access to display case has not followed appropriate protocol. Masonic Lodge expressed their dismay over removal of their display before their allotted time was completed. Display items have now been returned to Jack Gault. While the committee is delighted to have the DHS Art Department display of our students' artwork, we would appreciate their cooperation in going through the formal application process to avoid the dismay experienced by other groups. It is incumbent upon committee to remind those involved about appropriate protocol. A suggestion was put forward that we should discuss putting application on town website at our next meeting.

**VFW BUILDING STATUS-** Update from State Historical Society tabled until Phil Kraft's return.

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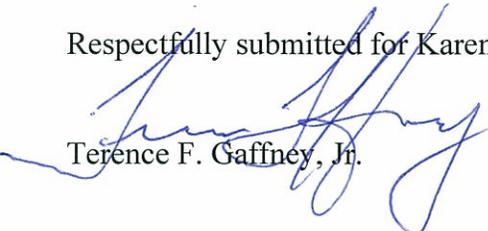
**COMMISSIONERS' TERM DATES-** a question arose about the term dates on commission members. Linda O'Leary to supply term dates on all commissioners before next meeting.

**CEMETERY WREATH REMOVAL** – Cub Scout Pack 161 to remove wreaths after snow melt permits. Schorrs to contact Phil Kraft when date is set as other volunteers interested in helping.

**ACCESS TO DARIEN WEBSITE-** Tabled until Dave Polett's return.

No further business raised, meeting adjourned at 4:20.

Respectfully submitted for Karen Polett,

  
Terence F. Gaffney, Jr.