

# Public Ceremonies Committee Meeting Minutes February 12, 2020

**Attendees:** George Bernard, Dennis Berry, Donna Bouchard, Rod McLean, Richard Turner

**Location:** Wayland Town Building Selectmen's Meeting Room  
41 Cochituate Road  
Wayland, MA 01778

**Meeting Called to Order:** 7:00 PM

**Approval of prior meeting notes from:** January 8, 2020

- Public comment: Need for a fifth member of the Public Ceremonies Committee per Dennis Berry. Possible new member found but cannot start until after Gossels projects have been finalized.
- Meeting rearranged to accommodate Gossels families to discuss Peter Gossels picture, plaque and award. The board of Selectmen will approve picture of C. Peter R. Gossels to hang in Town Building.
- Bonnie Gossels stated that the award plaque to accommodate the picture of Peter Gossels will take five weeks to make.
- Donna Bouchard spoke to Cherry Karlson – Selectman and she stated that Louise Miller, Town Administrator and Ben Keefe, Public Buildings Director need to be involved in the location of picture and plaque.
- Gossels family to determine the day and time the picture and plaque will be dedicated on the wall next to the Town Treasurer's office.
- Donna Bouchard stated that Cherry Karlson will take a vote of the Selectmen at the Selectmen's meeting on either February 24 for approval the C. Peter R. Gossels award to be installed on the wall adjacent to the Town Treasurers office
- Lydia Child Award- Donna Bouchard to "tweak" criteria award and provide wording to Richard Turner to start advertising nominations for the award immediately via Town Crier and electronic newspapers through March 15, 2020.
- The two awards (Gossels and Child) are not to overlap each other.

## **New Business**

- Memorial Day – as follows:
- The day of the Memorial Day Parade and program is Monday, May 25, 2020.
  - Richard Turner to confirm that Vietnam Veteran, Michael Patterson will be the guest speaker.
- George Bernard to check on Chaplin status with the Reverend Stephanie May.
- George Bernard sent an email to Kevin Delaney to request a meeting with Kevin and Wayland High School teachers to change the date of award of the Freedom Prize from Memorial Day to Veterans Day.
- George Bernard was concerned that the committee not lose track of preparing for Memorial Day while the Child and Gossels awards take up much of our time.
- Richard to have a checklist of all activities that have to be taken care of on Memorial Day from beginning to end and review at next PCC meeting.
- Richard to assign duties to each PCC member for the parade and ceremony at next meeting.
- Sign and light status at Lokerville WWII Green as follows:

- PCC has requested DPW to have the flagpole at Lokerville Green be illuminated. DPW has been in touch with Eversource and will provide status as it becomes available.
- The sign for the Lokerville WWII Green has been completed and erected at the Green. The magnificent sign is a result of the skilled craftsmanship of the DPW department. Thank you DPW!
- According to Richard Turner another 20 flags and 20 six-foot flag poles are needed to hang from telephone poles for Memorial Day. Flag and flagpole costs should come out of town budget and not PCC budget.
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Meeting Adjourned at 8:30

**Next meeting will be Wednesday, March 5, 2020. Meeting is moved up one week to support Child and Gossels awards.**

**Submitted By**

**George Bernard**