PUBLIC CEREMONIES COMMITTEE

Planning Board Conference Room Wayland Town Building 41 Cochituate Road Wayland, Mass 01778 May 9, 2018

1) The committee meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M.

In attendance: Richard Turner (RT), Carl Bernardo (CB), George Bernard (GB), and John Dyer (JD). Not present: Dennis Berry

Guest Visitors: Rod MacLean and Michelle Galicia, both are considering joining the committee.

- 2) Public Comment: No Public Comment
- 3) Old Business Minutes from May 2, 2018 were reviewed and approved.
- 4) New Business Memorial Day Parade:
 - Carl is working on locating a trucking company to transport the halftrack. Also, Carl
 was asked to find out if it rains can the halftrack be cancelled? If halftrack does
 come to Wayland it will be unloaded at the old DPW building between 10:00 AM
 and 10:30 AM. Safety first with so many children setting up for the parade.
 - GB contacted both Chaplain MAJ Woodford and CSM Pintagro from Natick Soldier Systems Center and they are both set to participate in the Memorial Day parade and program.
 - On May 8, JD & GB met with three judges to review the top twelve Freedom Prize essays at the Wayland Middle School. The judges determined the top three essays and the first place Freedom Prize essay was "Attacks on the Press and their Effects on Democracy" by Kyle Chen. RT to notify Kyle's parents. JD to write up a Press Release for the Town Crier on the first-place essay. RT to obtain \$500.00 check from town hall for Kyle Chen. RT to obtain certificates for the top three finalists.
 - All members reviewed the Memorial Day checklist supplied by RT.
 - RT has found a volunteer to watch speakers at cemetery while GB organizes civilian portion of parade at WMS. CB to organize military portion of parade.
 - RT stated that a town truck with generator will be at Lakeview Cemetery to power two speakers.
 - RT has located a high school speaker for the Gettysburg address.
 - RT has spoken to Joe Onechuck on music and bands and all is in place
 - RT to get parade and program schedule in Town Crier and in town website.
 - CB & RT have found a Grand Marshall for the parade.
 - CB to contact Sunrise, Traditions and Carriage House for buses with elderly Veterans to be in parade. Need plenty of water for senior citizens in Assisted Living vans.
 - RT has been working with Girl Scouts and putting 1400 flags at Veterans plots at all Wayland cemeteries.
 - Girl Scouts to provide soda after parade is over at WMS.
 - RT to decide morning of May 28 if program is held inside due to weather. RT to check on with Police Chief Swaneck about a reverse call to Wayland residents if program is held at WMS.
 - Steve Streeter officially resigned in April 2018 per the Town Clerk's office.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 P.M.

• The next WPCC meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 13, 7:00 P.M. at the Town Building.

Respectfully submitted George Bernard 5/15/2018