TOWN OF NORTHBRIDGE

TRUSTEES OF SOLDIERS' MEMORIALS MEETING

NORTHBRIDGE TOWN HALL

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Wednesday, November 7, 2017 - 7:00PM

MINUTES

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<u>MEMBERS PRESENT</u>: Dan Beneway, Frank DeFazio, Tom Farley, Jim Gallagher, Dick Trier and Town Selectmen Chair, Charlie Ampagoomian.

<u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES:</u> The minutes of the November 1, 2017 meeting were unanimously approved (Gallagher/Ampagoomian).

I. DISCUSSION ITEMS AND PROGRESS REPORTS

A. FINANCE REPORT

• Jim Gallagher shared his current financial report noting that the outstanding bill for the addition of engraving on the Vietnam Memorial was submitted in the amount of \$195 and noted that the final payments to DiBara were on hold pending our discussion this evening.

B. ROCKDALE WWI MEMORIAL PROGRESS

• ACTION: After meeting with DiBara and reviewing our concerns, most of those were resolved on the spot or would be completed prior to our dedication. Therefore, the motion was made and seconded (Trier/Ampagoomian) to release the balance of the original contract immediately. The additional \$6,000 would be held until other issues were completed. Unanimously approved.

C. WW1 ROCKDALE DEDICATION

- Dan and Frank noted that the program for the dedication was now complete and was reviewed with Charlie Ampagoomian.
- Dick Trier noted that the refreshments were all set, that he and Tom visited St. Peters to check out the facility. Roberta Trier and Anne Farley have agreed to prepare the facility for the reception.

D. GRANT PROPOSAL

• Dick Trier noted that he had contacted SHRAB (State Historical Records Advisory Board) about the possibility of having the state reimburse us for part of the cost of the

WWI Rockdale restoration. He was told by the director that that would not be possible. After discussion about the close deadlines to apply for a new project, the trustees agreed not to pursue a grant at this time.

E. OTHER PROJECT UPDATES

• Jamie Luchini noted that Dan Beneway asked him about updating the lighting on the WWII/Korean Monument and that he would research what could be available.

F. COMMUNICATIONS/CORRESPONDENCE

• Dick Trier noted that the director of the After School Program at the Youth Center in Rockdale has us to make a presentation on the restoration to the students on Wednesday, November 8th at 4:00PM. Tom Farley and Jim Gallagher agreed to join Dick for this presentation.

II. OTHER DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. NEXT MEETING

- Tuesday, December 12, 2017, 7:00PM at the Town Hall
- Agenda Items:
 - o After-Action Review of the WWI Rockdale Project
 - o Balmer School Presentation
 - o Invoices for the Rockdale WWI Dedication

C. ADJOURNMENT: 8:35PM

Respectfully submitted,

Richard 7. Trier

Richard T. Trier, Secretary

Approved: