TOWN OF NORTHBRIDGE

TRUSTEES OF SOLDIERS' MEMORIALS MEETING

Tuesday, January 17, 2023

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jay Ball, Tom Farley, Jim Gallagher, and Dick Trier.

<u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES:</u> The minutes of the Tuesday, November 22, 2022, meeting was unanimously approved. (Gallagher/Farley).

I. DISCUSSION ITEMS AND PROGRESS REPORTS

A. FINANCIAL REPORT

• Jim Gallagher presented our current Financial Report, noting that the only bill applied to the current fiscal year was \$225 for five signs. Approved (Trier/Farley).

B. MEMORIAL SQUARES UPDATING

• Dick Trier asked for Jamie Luchini's email address so he could inform Jamie of upcoming meetings. (Jluchini@northbridgemass.org)

C. MONUMENT MAINTENANCE TO INCLUDE WWI ROCKDALE

- Jay noted that he would continue to reach out to Rosseel Contracting.
- Dick Trier noted that he asked Jamie Luchini to reach out to Kuik Electric to get an estimate on lighting the two monuments at town Hall.

D. "OUTSTANDING VETERAN RECOGNITION"

- Dick Trier reviewed the final draft of the "Outstanding Community Service Award". He also noted that Adam Gaudette was in favor of this program...
- Dick Trier said he would contact Melissa to ask if we could be put on the Selectmen agenda at an upcoming meeting to present this recognition program.

E. LASSELL FIELD MEMORIAL

- Tom Farley presented a sketch of the memorial his grandson designed along with information about John Whiten Lasell.
- It was decided that we would reach out to the company that designed and built the Vail Field Memorial. Jay Ball said he would reach out to Joel Seely at SMMA in Cambridge.
- Jay said he would talk to Tim Labrie again about our plans.

F. OTHER PRIORITY PROJECT UPDATES

- World War I Memorial in Whitinsville:
 - o Dick Trier proposed that we look int developing an innovative design that would improve and protect the WWI Memorial by creating new bronze wall signs with the names of the veterans that were currently engraved in the stone benches of the memorial. Then the benches could be completely refurbished. A new design could greatly enhance the memorial improving its usefulness and protecting it from abuse.
 - o Jason Ball noted that he would see if Rosseel Contracting would be interested in bidding on this project.

G. COMMUNICATIONS/ CORRESPONDENCE

• Jim Gallagher shared material he received from Phil Cyr pertaining to Revolutionary War veterans. Jim said he would update his Veteran Report with this valuable information.

II. OTHER DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. NEW DISCUSSION ITEMS
- B. NEXT MEETING:
 - Tuesday, February 28, 2023–7:00PM, Town Hall
- C. Adjournment: 8:03 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Trier

Richard T. Trier, Secretary

Approved:02/28/23