

TOWN OF NORTHBRIDGE
TRUSTEES OF SOLDIERS' MEMORIALS MEETING

Tuesday, November 9, 2021 - 7:00PM

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MEMBERS PRESENT: Frank DeFazio, Tom Farley, Dick Trier and Selectmen Chair Charlie Ampagoomian

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes of the Tuesday, October 21, 2021 meeting were unanimously approved. (Ampagoomian/Farley).

I. DISCUSSION ITEMS AND PROGRESS REPORTS

A. LASELL FIELD MONUMENT UPDATE

- Jay reported via mail that Tim Labrie is continuing to raise money for the Lasell Memorial.
- Tom Farley reported that his grandson has volunteered to design a plaque for the Lasell Memorial.

B. FINANCIAL REPORT

- In Jim's absence, the trustees offered sincere condolences on the death of Jim's wife Joyce.

C. MEMORIAL SQUARES UPDATING

- Jay Ball reported that the last four signs have been ordered.
- The DPW has now installed nine of the new memorial square signs.
- As the old bronze signs can no longer be used with the new posts and signs, the trustees discussed alternate uses for those including the placement of these in Memorial Square.
- Dick Trier noted that Tina Beauchaine is now planning on an article to go in the Uxbridge Times January Issue.
- Tom Farley noted that we should also plan on an interview on the Northbridge Cable Station.
- Dick Trier noted that we should arrange for a "photo-op" so we can get photos with the article in January. The deadline is December 16th.

D. BATCHELLOR MEMORIAL AT BLACKSTONE VALLEY VETERAN'S HALL

- Tom Farley noted that the veterans will take responsibility for the replacement of the flagpole. He also noted that he was unable to talk with Whitinsville Monuments about refurbishment.

E. MONUMENT MAINTENANCE TO INCLUDE WWI ROCKDALE

- Frank DeFazio recommitted to reach out to Slotnick Memorials for possible interest in ongoing maintenance of our memorial bronze works.

F. BENCH AT BUMA SQUARE

- Dick Trier noted that Mike Leeds was able to successfully remove some of the bolts on the bench without damaging the bases. Mike told Dick that he should be able to complete the project for the original estimate.

G. OTHER PRIORITY PROJECT UPDATES

- Tom Farley noted that his neighbor is a veteran and an employee of Consigli Construction. This veteran said that there is a group of vets. At Consigli who have some great skills that they are willing to use for veteran projects. Tom will ask them about taking on some of our maintenance projects, including the cleaning and coating our plaques on memorials.
- Charlie Ampagoomian asked about the Vail Field Memorial. Dick Trier said he would email Joe Strazzula about setting a re-dedication date.

G. COMMUNICATIONS/ CORRESPONDENCE

II. OTHER DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. NEW DISCUSSION ITEMS

B. NEXT MEETING:

- Tuesday, December 14, 2021– 7:00PM, Town Hall

C. Adjournment: 7:45PM

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Trier

Richard T. Trier, Secretary

Approved: *12/14/2021*