October 22, 2019

Meeting called to order at 7:10 p.m.

In attendance: Joe Boucher, Dennis Kayhart, Christian Sauer, Bruce Warkentin, Rhonda Villanova, Steven Villanova, Cheryl Samborski, John Chandler, Sara Landon, John Takach

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of last meeting minutes: Chris 1st, Dennis 2nd

WAA: Bruce noted the WAA website was not user friendly.

Sign update: John C. brought samples for possible signs from Sign Connection. We need the wire frames, John C. said he would ask Sign Connection if they provide them.

Discussion about locations for the (4) signs: Kloters - Corner to turn right onto rte 83; across from Big Y is out – maybe on corner between grass strip and McDonald’s; corner of routes 83/140 where Tolland/United Bank used to be; east drive to Center Cemetery (entrance)

John C. will ask for digital copy of sign to send to Julia Connor for the Ellington Quarterly magazine and for committee members to post on Facebook or share with family and friends.

Veteran’s Day: John T. will be staging Scouts for flag pick-up at locations around town.

Schedule of events: 11/11/19 - EHS will hold annual Veterans' breakfast and program, 7:30 - 9:05 a.m.. EMS will hold their Veteran’s Day program at 1:30 p.m.

John C. discussed past efforts with the schools to send care packages to troops overseas. The difficulty was in following very specific instructions for delivery. The preference is to send to CT units overseas now. Sarah mentioned Chinook unit to go to Afghanistan in the near future, possibly January.

Joe Palombizio sent an update on the statue status: he collected enough funding for statue and to pay for the cleaning/restoration of the (2) bronze plaques on stones at the town center.
Bruce asked if the bill was ever received from Binkowski to pressure wash the plaques. It should have been about $500. John T. said it was received.

Chris/Dennis shared that the American Legion discussed the installation of the statue/base being in the spring and the Town Public Works Department would take care of it. There was some talk of also putting in a walkway and a bench.

**New Business:** Bruce brought up the process to remove inactive committee members. A motion was made to remove Robert King from the committee due to non-attendance for a couple of years. Anthony Chamberlin graduated from high school and will most likely not renew his membership as a student representative for the coming year. The motion was made to start the process to remove Robert King, Chris 1st, John C. 2nd

**Motion to adjourn:** Joe Boucher 1st; John C. 2nd
Meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

**Next mtg:** October 22nd, location TBD (most likely Town Annex due to Town Hall construction)

Submitted by:
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