Memorial Committee Record of Minutes and Proceedings

October 26, 2015
Town Hall
Third Floor Conference Room
Weymouth, MA
7:00 PM

Members Present:

Frank Burke, Chairman

Joan Anderson, Vice Chair

James Clarke

Stephen McCloskey

Ed Walker

Members Absent:

Keith Spain

Sean Guilfoyle Patrick O'Connor

Also Present:

Julie Burt, Recording Secretary

Call to Order

There being a quorum, the Chairman called the meeting of the Memorial Committee to order at 7:01PM.

Minutes

There were no minutes for review.

Request for Bench at Tufts Library in Memory of Mrs. Edith Mahoney

The Mayor's office was contacted in regards to a request to place a bench at the Tufts Library in memory of Edith Mahoney and the Mayor's office was okay with this request. The librarians were also contacted and they will be voting on the request.

Mr. Clarke stated that Cathy Torrey should be contacted. The bench should be sturdy and have a plaque stating "In Memory of Edith Mahoney."

A MOTION was made by Mr. Jim Clarke to approve the request for a bench at the Tufts Library in memory of Mrs. Edith Mahoney to be forwarded to the Mayor's Office pending the vote by the Library trustees who will approve the style and location of the bench, and seconded by Mr. Frank Burke and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Request for Pingree School "Free Library" in Memory of Peter J. Handibode

Christina Duff, a teacher at the Pingree School, gave a brief presentation on the concept of a free library and provided a handout providing the details of the Grand Opening of the free library that has been built at Pingree School looks like. Her husband built the structure and the Weymouth Public Schools Maintenance Department installed it.

Ms. Duff would like the Free Library to be dedicated to her nephew, Peter J. Handibode, who attended Pingree School and passed away in June 2015.

A MOTION was made by Mr. Ed Walker to approve the request to have the Free Library at Pingree School dedicated to Peter J. Handibode and seconded by Mr. Frank Burke and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Discussion of Criteria for Approving Memorial Requests

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The Committee discussed the criteria for approving memorial requests. Mr. Clarke stated that he has a list of memorial corners. There was discussion if there should be guidelines pertaining to military service that should be credited to Weymouth.

It was decided that the Committee develop a guide for future Committees. Mr. Walker asked if a set criteria should be established for benches as well.

Other Business

There was no other business to discuss.

Adjournment

A MOTION to adjourn at 7:30PM was made by Mr. Jim Clarke and seconded by Mr. Ed Walker and UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie S. Burt