

MEMORIAL COMMITTEE
Weymouth Town Hall – Kelly Room
August 11, 2015

The Memorial Committee of the Town of Weymouth held a public meeting on Tuesday, August 11, 2015 at Weymouth Town Hall, Kelly Room, Weymouth, MA.

Present: Frank Burke, Chairman
James Clarke
Steve McCloskey
Keith Spain
Kenan Connell
Joan Anderson

1. Minutes Jim Clarke made a motion to approve the minutes of August 12, 2014. Steve McCloskey seconded the motion. It was UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.
2. Request to Name Weymouth High School stage for retired Weymouth High Drama Director and Teacher Jan Smith

Jim Clarke informed the requestee, Don Norton, late and he could not attend. The committee reviewed his letter noting the reasons to support the request. The committee discussed the appropriateness of the location.

On a motion by Kenan Connell, seconded by Keith Spain, the request was UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

3. Request to dedicate a bench at Petrell Park for Craig L. Hanson

Katie Gorham and Jessica Vitkauskas were present to discuss their request. They want to put up a small bench with a plaque for their childhood friend. Kenan Connell requested that it be a standard park bench. Frank Burke asked if the family would be aware of this. Jim Clarke suggested they check with neighbors. Keith Spain asked if they had raised money and they said the neighbors would pay.

Keith Spain made a motion to approve the bench and was amended to include pending family approval. Joan Anderson seconded the motion and it was UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

4. Discussion of House Rock Park and Sgt. Edmund Marks

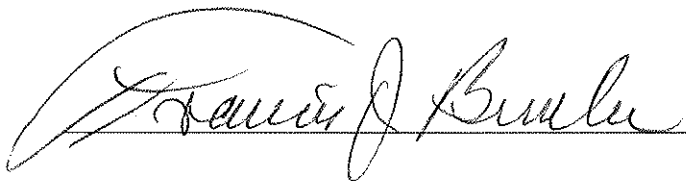
The Smit's were present, daughter and son-in-law, and the committee discussed the naming of the area while keeping the House Rock Park designation. It was agreed to call it the Sgt. Edmund L. Marks Playground.

5. The Annual Report was approved on a motion by Keith Spain, seconded by Jim Clarke.

6. The committee held a brief discussion on creating criteria for naming places in town. It was noted that a veteran should have received a medal for valor or a Purple Heart. A non-veteran should have served the town or made a contribution over a number of years. Joan Anderson mentioned that she had reviewed criteria from other towns.

7. It was noted that the state allocates \$25,000 for Medal of Honor recipients recognition at the Amphitheater.

There being no further business the committee adjourned at 8:00pm.



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Date