MEMORIAL COMMITTEE Weymouth Town Hall - Council Chambers August 12, 2014

The Memorial Committee of the Town of Weymouth held a public meeting on Tuesday, August 12, 2014 at Weymouth Town Hall, Council Chambers, Weymouth, MA.

Present:

Frank Burke, Chairman

James Clarke Steve McCloskey Sean Guilfoyle Keith Spain Kenan Connell Joan Anderson

Recording Secretary: Christine Malloy

MINUTES

Mr. Clarke made a MOTION to APPROVE the minutes of September 10, 2013. Mr. Spain SECONDED the MOTION. It was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED. Mr. Conneil and Mr. Guilfoyle abstained

OLD BUSINESS

REQUEST TO DEDICATE END OF BREWSTER ROAD FOR FORMER FIRE CHIEF JAMES STEVENS

Chairman Burke stated the committee took this matter under advisement at the last meeting and the neighbors disagreed with the location of the dedication location.

Mr. Clarke made a MOTION to TAKE NO ACTION on this request. Mr. Guilfovle SECONDED this MOTION. It was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED. Chairman Burke stated he will make sure the pro-ponent is advised that the location was undesirable.

REQUEST TO NAME CORNER OF OFF SHAWMUT STREET FOR ROBERT A. LOVERING

Chairman Burke stated the committee took this matter under advisement at the last meeting and feels it does warrant favorable action.

Mr. Connell asked what are the commission's rules and regulations regarding placement of signs; who decides where best location/placement. Chairman Burke stated DPW holds final decision on placement/location due to safety concerns. Memorial Commission decides on favorable action for the request, request is forwarded on to Mayor Kay and she makes final decision on the

request. Mr. Clarke stated perhaps this is the best time for this commission to put together criterion on which requests can be based.

Mr. Clarke made a MOTION to APPROVE the request to name the corner of Off Shawmut Street for Robert A. Lovering. Mr. Guilfoyle SECONDED the MOTION. It was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

REQUEST TO DEDICATE TWO (2) BENCHES AT ISLAND VIEW BEACH IN MEMORY OF KEVIN S. CONNERS

Kevin Conners 159 Westminster Road

Mr. Conners stated he is requesting to dedicate two benches at Island View Beach in memory of his son Kevin. Mr. Conners stated he wants to clean the beach and keep benches in honor of his son. This request came in with supporting letters from Councilor Mathews, Mayor Kay and Director of Conservation Commission, Mary Ellen Schloss.

Mr. Guilfoyle made a MOTION to APPROVE the request to dedicate two benches at Island View Beach in memory of Kevin S. Conners. Mr. Spain SECONDED the MOTION. It was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

REQUEST TO NAME AREA AT HOUSE ROCK PARK FOR SGT. EDMUND MARKS

Chairman Burke stated this request is to allow Sgt. Edmund Marks' son-in-law to clean up the park and place a play structure in honor of his father-in-law. Chairman Burke stated he knew Sgt. Marks and he was a veteran of the Battle of the Bulge and was honored for his service by the French Consulate with a ceremony at Town Hall. The family wants to put in a play structure and clean up an area of the park at no cost to the Town.

Mr. Guilfoyle made a MOTION to APPROVE this request so long as it meets the approval of DPW, Building Department and all other involved agencies. Mr. McCloskey SECONDED the MOTION. It was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

REQUEST TO NAME CORNER OF CHARD AND PUTNAM STREETS FOR LANDON G. KIDD

Mr. Clarke made a MOTION to TABLE this request until the service records have been received at Memorial Committee. Mr. Guilfoyle SECONDED the MOTION. It was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

REQUEST TO NAME CORNER OF JUDSON ROAD AND APPLE TREE LANE FOR JOHN FLYNN

Kristen Kelsey Rick Kelsey 35 Appletree Lane

Ms. Kelsey stated she and her brother were present to request the corner of Judson Road and Apple Tree Lane be named on honor of her grandfather, John Flynn.

Mr. Clarke made a MOTION to APPROVE the request to name the corner of Judson Road and Apple Tree Lane for John Flynn. Mr. Spain SECONDED the MOTION. It was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Mr. Clarke stated this committee should think of guidelines it would like to follow to evaluate requests. Create criteria for approval of requests. Members all agreed this is a good idea. Chairman Burke stated normally this committee is looking for persons that went above and beyond a service record.

NEW BUSINESS

REQUEST TO NAME FREDITH ROAD FOR CPL. LLOYD C. WHITE

This request is to rename Fredith Road to Cp. Lloyd White Memorial Way.

Mr. Clarke made a MOTION to name the corner of Pleasant Street and Fredith Road in honor of Cpl. Lloyd White. Mr. Connell SECONDED the MOTION. It was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

OTHER BUSINESS

NAMING OF ACADEMY AVENUE (PORTION OF SCHOOL)

Mr. Guilfoyle asked for another copy of the minutes of the meeting in which this request was discussed. Mr. Guilfoyle stated the question was to recognize both gentlemen at the school. Mr. Clarke will have those minutes forwarded to Mr. Guilfoyle.

Mr. Guilfoyle suggested this committee meet quarterly and never take same night action.

Mr. Spain stated it is a good idea to come up with criteria for approval of requests.

Chairman Burke asked members to come up with criteria and email to him. Ideas should include:

- Service to Town
- Military non-military
- Etc.

Mr. Clarke stated town staff has a list of already dedicated corners and streets. Mr. Clarke will forward a copy of this list to all members for their review.

Next Meeting

Chairman Burke stated the committee shall meet again when it is necessary.

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Adjournment

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

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