

**Susan Debarber**

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**Sent:** Sunday, January 21, 2018 4:43 PM  
**To:** Alex Danka; Bettyb0026; john stelma; Preet Singh; Fred Stanek; Susan Debarber; Rory Burke  
**Subject:** Seymour Remembers Memorial Day Committee Minutes for meeting of January 11, 2018

Minutes  
"Seymour Remembers"  
Memorial Day Committee Meeting  
January 11, 2018

Meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm

Members Present-Alex Danka, Preet Singh, John Stelma, Beverly Kennedy

Members Absent-Fred Stanek

Non Members Present-none

Motion was made by John Stelma and seconded by Alex Danka to approve the minutes from the November 9, 2017 meeting. Minutes were approved 3-0 with one abstention (Beverly Kennedy)

New Business- Robert Lang is stepping down as head of the Christmas Parade. It was proposed to our committee to have the parade committees from the Memorial Day and the Christmas Parade merge into one parade committee but to have two separate treasuries with two different treasurers. The Christmas Parade Committee meets twice a year-two months before their event. Both committees would work as one unit for both parades. Robert Lang and Ann Conroy will be stepping down from the Christmas Committee while Dawn will remain on as treasurer and Lucy would stay on the parade committee. Positives for the merger would be more people working together and more contact lists. It was proposed that the people from the Christmas Parade Committee come to our next meeting in February.

Alex also mentioned having an item worn by people riding in cars in our parades similar to a scarf that were given to riders in the Christmas Parade but which would be more appropriate to the warmer weather.

Two bands have been confirmed for the Memorial Day Parade for 2018-the CT Alumni Band and the Police Pipes Band from Waterbury.

Solicitations for the 2018 Memorial Day Parade will be sent out in February. Preet will get labels and lists and submit them to Priscilla so that she can print them in time for the solicitations to be sent out. She will be retiring in June but that should not affect the printing of the labels for this year's parade.

Fred Stanek will report at the next month's meeting any school events related to the parade.

It was suggested that we contact the Shriners that participate in the Christmas Parade to invite them to be participants in the Memorial Day Parade as well.

The parade date for the 2018 Memorial Day Parade will be Sunday May 27, 2018.

The final quarter Financial Statement had a balance of \$4654.17 in the checking account and \$13085.03 in the savings account. The treasurers report was approved by John Stelma and seconded by Beverly Kennedy.

Preet Singh was reimbursed \$265.85 for the purchase of a printer and portable laptop for use by the committee as approved in our November meeting.

Old Business- Check from the Pumpkin Festival in the amount of \$75 to the Memorial Day Parade Committee was returned to correct the name of the proper payee so that we could cash the donation at the bank in the parade committee account. Preet reported an additional three donations since our last meeting.

Fred Stanek to discuss at the next Board of Education meeting having the Drama Club dress up as soldiers from the various wars and conflicts.

Alex talked to the American Legion about participating in the Memorial Day Parade events.

There is currently a freeze in place on grant money to the Memorial Day Parade and related events due to state budgetary cuts that are affecting the budget at the town level.

Next meeting for the Memorial Day Committee will be held on Thursday February 8, 2018 at 7:00 in the Flaherty Room. Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Preet Singh and seconded by John Stelma

Respectfully submitted,

John Stelma