



FALMOUTH VETERANS' COUNCIL
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Subject: Veterans' Council Meeting

Time: 4:00 p.m. - Place: Civil Defense Room

In Attendance: Chair Carissa April (remotely), Member Rob Foos (remotely), Member Brian Hodor, Member Paula Smith, Member Elizabeth Sweeney and Julie Cadogan

Absent: Member Bill Doherty, Member Ron Nasif, Don Lincoln

Meeting was called to order at 4:09p.m. and Pledge was recited.

Member Smith Chaired the meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Mission, Policies and Procedures. The Selectboard approved the Mission Statement as submitted by the Council. Based on previous meeting conversation regarding reviewing, modifying (if appropriate and acceptable) and publishing the Committee's policies and procedures, the members held a discussion to identify the policy/procedure to review next. Committee members discussed proposed topics such as member election and term limits for Council members as well as recertification and retention of Council members. Member Foos questioned whether a 2-year term is a benefit or detractor with regard to attracting new Council members. After this preliminary discussion, members agreed to first conduct research regarding current activities and the historical documents/bylaws to support the current activities in anticipation of a policy/procedure review in the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Memorial Day Ceremony. The Council discussed various ideas and aspects of the Memorial Day ceremony and whether or not changes should be made, and if so, what those changes might encompass. Several ideas were discussed, including length of ceremony, current participants continuation, and the reading of Falmouth's Fallen Heroes. Member Foos will put together his thoughts and ideas about any additions/changes he sees as beneficial to the ceremony. The ceremony agenda will be reviewed to determine where any changes may be appropriate.

OPEN DISCUSSION

1. NONE

Member Smith made a motion to adjourn, Member Sweeney seconded. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried (5-0).

Meeting adjourned at 4:46 p.m.



Paula Smith, Acting Chairperson
Falmouth Veterans' Council