Norton Gold Star Committee MSG Gregory Trent Memorial Dedication

Minutes

Meeting Date: January 12th, 2013 @ 8:30 AM

Members present: Chris Cox, Bill Novick, Bob Kimball, Bill Avril, John Danahey

Additional attendees: Jim Kelliher, Bob Novick, John Ricker, Stephen Amort, Mike Johns, Donna Ross

Meeting was called to order at 8:34 a.m.

Reading of minutes from previous meeting

Motion to accept minutes as amended, seconded and approved unanimously

Site updates provided by Bob Kimball, the utilities companies are working the wiring and poles on site, Norton Highway Department provided paving and curbing repairs to access road next to site

A discussion followed regarding site location for the silent auction event being planned. updates included Wheaton College Haas building, Horizon Beverage, St. Mary's Center. Trinity, TPC and others

Draft letterhead for the Committee was reviewed, and minor edits were discussed, vote to approve at next meeting

Invitations to the Governor and State Senators is being drafted, and example was reviewed at the meeting, John Danahey to send Bob Kimball an example of the Gold Star Flag for update to letterhead

Chris Cox provided and update on the brochure status, brochures will be ready next week

Stephen Amort provided and update on the propose landscape design

John Ricker provided and update on the memorial stone, and pedestal designs

The Committee agrees that whatever markers are used for the designation of the service branches, that it should be consistent throughout the park

The Committee reviewed and discussed the layout and language for both the stone and marker for the site

A motion was raised, seconded and unanimously approved the language for the memorial stone, it reads "A place of solemn reflection, dedicated by a grateful community"

A discussion followed on the layout of the pedestal design and language, John Danahey will provide an update to the slides from feedback, review at next meeting

Bill Novick led the discussion for fundraising status, all donations are being logged and a roster is being maintained for recognition, the wine donation issue has stalled for legal concerns

Bob Kimball provided an update on Horizon Beverage, they are sending a large donation and will be engaging employees who wish to help

A discussion around at 5k Road Race followed, Bill Novick and Bob Kimball to track down more details, Donna Ross and Bill Avril provided input with their experience

Bill Novick is expecting more items to be donate for the silent auction and a discussion around storing these items followed

John Ricker suggested that the Committee maintain a scrapbook for the progress of the MSG Trent Memorial

Motion to adjourn at XX:XX, seconded and unanimously approved

Next Meeting January 26, 2012 at 8:30 AM – At Norton Town Hall