

Norton Gold Star Committee

Minutes

Meeting Date: February 8, 2014

Members present: John Danahey, Bob Kimball, Bill Novick, Donna Ross,

Additional attendees: Estelle Flett, Tom DeLuca, Paul Correa, Gary Cameron

Meeting called to order at 12:10 pm

Review of previous meeting minutes, motion raised, seconded and unanimously approved to accept as read

A discussion of fund raising activities began and Bill Novick provided an update for an event that Foxboro is working (golf ball drop).

Bill Novick updated the Committee on the status of the shadow box. The Committee intends to present the Superintendent of Schools the shadow box for the dedication of the High School.

Bill Novick provided an update for the MSG Trent Bike Run, Norton VFW to donate facilities and support staff for event. Bike Run date is set for May 18, 2014; registration begins at 9:00.

John Danahey to contact Support Our Soldiers, Inc. for support in assisting with the MSG Trent Bike Run activities

Donna Ross suggested that we begin collecting email information for registrants for all of our NGSC events going forward so that we can keep the community informed.

A discussion followed about getting the word out to local media etc.

A discussion followed regarding the proposed MSG Trent Scholarship, the Committee members agreed that they would bring criteria suggestions to the next meeting. The Norton VFW will co-sponsor the scholarship and will donate \$500.00 toward the scholarship.

The VFW and the NGSC agree that the MSG Trent Scholarship should be an ongoing annual event that we support through charitable activities.

Estelle Flett (Norton Veterans Agent), updated both the Committee and the VFW on the status of the recently opened transition home. The VFW will make sure that its membership is updated with this information. Anyone who knows a homeless Veteran or a Veteran in need is encouraged to contact Estelle at Town Hall.

A discussion followed on a new memorial recognizing the service and sacrifices of the local Gulf War, and Global War on Terrorism Veterans.

A motion was raised, seconded, and unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting at 12:54 pm

Next Meeting February 25th, Town Hall 6:30 pm