## **VETERAN'S MEMORIAL COMMITTEE**

Meeting of the Veterans Memorial Committee was held on March 18, 2024 at Wallingford Town Hall, Room 205. Chairman Ruth Palmer called the meeting to order at 1900. There were 8 members and 1 guest present.

Minutes from the previous meeting were approved as submitted.

Secretary said she got an email from Ray Rys saying that Chris Regan had accepted Guest Speaker. Dave Gessert had a name as well but will save for Veterans Day.

George Messier said Holy Trinity is on board for Church Service on Sunday 5/26; Mayor Cervoni is on board to speak at this event as well.

Secretary will send out forms to groups this week; discussion.

Discussion held regarding KIA names in program / corrections needing to be made. George thought program theme could be something honoring servicemen lost in peacetime or during training; discussion.

New business – George brought up several items for discussion:

- Location of Meriden monuments
- Antique Veterans looking for membership
- Relocation of Veterans office in Town Hall more to come
- Dutton Park face lift / new monument
- State of CT ceremony for Vietnam Vets, potentially to be held 6/24 and/or 7/1 at either Senior Center or Ashlar Village; potential of a Town level service for deceased Vietnam Veterans families, perhaps at Town Hall

Next meeting is April 8, 2024

Meeting adjourned at 1936 after a moment of silence for departed members.

Respectfully submitted,

Elise M. Gallup Secretary