



# V E T E R A N ' S M E M O R I A L C O M M I T T E E

## COMMITTEE CHARGE

*On September 8, 2008, the Cumberland Town Council authorized the formation of The Veteran's Monument Committee to develop funding strategies and an implementation plan for a veteran's memorial monument at the Moss Side Cemetery.*

## Meeting Agenda Wednesday, January 20, 2010 6:00 PM – Town Hall

**Members Present:** Bill Brown, David Joyce, Harland Storey, Robert Storey

**Members Excused:** Glen Hutchins

**Others Present:** Councilor Moriarty, Bill Shane, Brenda Stiffler, Bruce Collette of Collette Monuments

### I. Welcome

Town Manager Shane welcomed committee members and Bruce Collette from Collette Monuments.

### II. Approval of October 21, 2009 Meeting Minutes

Motion by Harland Storey, seconded by Bill Brown to accept the minutes as presented.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

### III. Update from Bruce Collette of Collette Monuments

#### • Discussion re: monument foundation

Town Manager Shane explained that the base foundation for phase I & phase II should be done at the same time for economic and logistical reasons. If we tried to do the foundations for phase II after the main monument was in place, it would be difficult to bring equipment in and work around the monument. Phase II foundations will be completed with Phase I and covered until needed.

Mr. Collette asked the committee to decide if the two stones for phase II would connected to the main monument, or separated and placed at an angle.

After discussion, it was decided that the name stones in phase II would be separate (not attached to) from the main monument and set at an angle. Mr. Collette will present a final sketch/plan to the committee.

Town Manager Shane said that the committee could meet again in the spring with Mr. Collette to decide upon the exact placement of the monument (angles & foundations).

#### • Ideas for name stones for Phase II and addition of future names

Town Manager Shane explained that there are approximately 450 names thus far. How many names can be engraved on the stones?

Mr. Collette said that 300 names could be placed on each side (2 stones = 1200 names). The committee should consider what additional info would be included with the names. After discussion, it was decided that the name, branch of service, and war (or peacetime) would be listed.

Mr. Collette said that the cost of adding names is approximately \$20 per name.

Phase II estimate, including 2 stones and engraving will be \$35,000 - \$40,000.

#### **IV. Fund Raising – ideas for campaign to raise money for Phase I & II.**

Town Manager Shane explained that the project budget for both phases is approximately \$55,000 and asked the committee to share their ideas for fundraising. He said that he and Councilor Moriarty would work on drafting a letter from the committee to Cumberland residents describing the project, incorporating the sketches, and explaining that this would be a tax-deductible contribution.

Councilor Moriarty suggested listing those who have donated to date in the letter.

Harland Storey suggested that Chebeague Island receive the letter as they have residents who will be listed and may be willing to contribute.

Councilor Moriarty suggested that some of the committee members attend a Chebeague Island Board of Selectmen meeting to make a presentation on the monument project.

Town Manager Shane asked the committee to think about organizations or civic groups that we could reach out to for contributions.

Harland Storey suggested a lapel pin campaign.

Brenda will look into the cost of pins for the next meeting.

#### **V. Next Meetings (3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of every month @ 6:00 p.m. Town Council Chambers)** February 17th

#### **VI. Other Business** None

#### **VII. Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn by Harland Storey, seconded by Bob Storey.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

Meeting adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:



Brenda Stiffler  
Executive Assistant