

The City of West Haven  
Centennial Celebration Committee

Thursday, March 25, 2021

Minutes

**Those in attendance:** Mayor Rossi, Chief Scafariello, Diane Dietman, Colleen Bailie, Arlene Painter, Ruth Torres, Sandy McCauley, Councilman Massaro, Mike Walsh, Jon Purmont, Councilwoman Hamilton, Steven Johnstones, Councilman Cohen, Councilman Donovan, David Richards and Beth Sabo

**Guests in attendance:** Tim Higgins, Jordan Pollack, Mr. Beckerman.

Acceptance of the February Minutes. Motion made by Colleen Bailie and seconded by Councilwoman O'Connor. Minutes were accepted.

**Update on Events:**

- a. **Hubbard Farm Park-** Steven Johnstones reported that the volunteers are progressing and the reconstruction of the wall at the farm house was being addressed. A date will be addressed.
- b. **#Fun Fact Friday-** Colleen reported out that her staff has developed entries for each Friday. They will submit to Mike Walsh.
- c. **Rotary Project-** Art & Essay in the schools. Only one school has responded and there is an opinion to bring it back in the fall. I have asked a BOE Board member to look into the lack of participation.
- d. **Centennial Coin-** Prototype is due in on the 20th
- e. **Rotary Project-** Granite collar at the base of the City Hall flag pole with the centennial logo engraved.
- f. **Fireworks-** Sandy McCauley reported out that the fireworks will be held on September 3<sup>rd</sup>, with a rain date of the 4<sup>th</sup>. A COVID date will be September 24<sup>th</sup> with rain date of the 25<sup>th</sup>. Contract is due to be signed.
- g. **Business signs and decals-** Diane Dietman has received a price from the high school and West Shore Associates.
- h. **History Booklet-** the paper size has been decided to be 11x17. Therefore, the booklet will be 11x8.5. Layout should begin with articles presently posted. Additional articles can be from Dan Shine before they are printed.
- i. **City Council-** A work in progress
- j. **Centenarians-** letters are being sent to all the Nursing Homes.
- k. **New Baby Bags-** Patrice Farquharson and Patty Stevens are finalizing the contents of the bags. Jon Purmont submitted the history summary to be placed in each of the 100 bags.
- l. **West Haven Veterans Museum and Learning Center-** Will highlight Veterans over the 100 years with names placed as footsteps throughout the Museum floor.

- m. **West Haven Historical Society** is still on track for their exhibition that would open on the second weekend in June. This will coincide with the State wide Open House for Connecticut Museums and Historical Societies.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:**

John Biancur working on a boat parade

Tim Higgins spoke about the Tours of Allingtown that he wrote

David Beckerman gave his opinions relative to the Centennial and hid development

Next Meeting: Thursday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>.