

**MINUTES OF THE HAMDEN VETERAN'S COMMISSION,  
SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITY ROOM, MILLER COMPLEX,  
TUESDAY, APRIL 6, 2010 AT 5:30 P.M.**

**Commissioners Present:** Mr. Conway, Mr. DiSorbo, Mr. McCarthy, Mr. Oakes,  
Mr. Ortoleva, Ms. Pavlis, Mr. Shultz, Mr. Weil

**Absent:** Mr. Laffin

**Guests:** Mr. Curtis, Ms. Parks

**Approval of Minutes** – March 9, 2010 – **APPROVED AS WRITTEN.**

Mr. Conway updated all on Commissioner Tom Slater's condition. He is currently at Montowese.

**VAD – May 28, 2010** – Mr. Oakes reported we're in the same gym. By the May meeting everything should be finalized. Veterans/participants should be at QU at 8:30. Students will be arriving at 9:30. The event will run until 12:00 noon.

**Memorial Day Parade, May 31, 2010** – Mr. Oakes noted that Gerry in the Mayor's office is hearing from some of the groups. Lancraft & Gaelic Pipe Band are coming. They're working on the press release for announcing the Grand Marshals. The 2 banners are ordered. Mr. Conway reported on the travel route after the parade to the noon ceremonies at the Monument.

Ms. Pavlis asked about adding an "honorary Grand Marshal". Discussion on proper way to honor/recognize Hamden Veterans Commissioner Tom Slater.

Mr. Conway added that he needs a bugler for Taps. There will be no firing team. He also noted the Columbus Day Parade will be in Hamden and we should march in their parade as the Hamden Veterans Commission.

Mr. Oakes spoke on the Moving Wall in West Hartford, June 17<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup>. He and Mr. McCarthy met with their Mayor's office today to offer assistance/suggestions.

Mr. Oakes also reported that Mimsie Coleman and Julie Smith are talking with the Sklaver Family regarding planting a tree in memory of Capt. Sklaver. The family is receptive to the idea of a tree in his honor being planted at the Memorial.

Mr. Curtis noted some upcoming events. This Saturday, April 10<sup>th</sup>, there is an Expo at Gateway in North Haven from 10:00a – 3:00p. DOL representatives will be there.

Wednesday April 14<sup>th</sup> – Fundraiser at Point After on Dixwell Ave. in Hamden.

May 16<sup>th</sup> – Bowl-A-Thon from 2:00 – 5:00 p.

Meeting Adjourned 6:15 p.m.

Submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deborah Gaiolini, Commission Clerk