

Town of Winchester

## **Soldiers' Monument Commission**

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### **Mission Statement**

*The commission recognizes the historical importance and aesthetic value of the Soldiers' Monument, a symbolic icon of the town of Winchester. Our mission is to protect, preserve, and enhance this nationally-recognized landmark while providing a clean and safe park for all residents and visitors.*

## **AGENDA**

**Thursday, June 11, 2020**

**To be held in held virtually through Zoom beginning at 7 pm**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89180960060?pwd=a0hnKy9TdVcwUUVOYitxVmVkS3o4UT09>

Meeting ID: 891 8096 0060 Password: 379725

**Jack Bourque, Chairman**  
**Steve Dew, Vice-Chairman**  
**Deborah Kessler, Secretary**

**Lynn Kessler, Treasurer**  
**Virginia Shultz-Charette**  
**Noreen Marchand**

**Sheila Sedlack**  
**Steven Silvester**  
**Douglas Werner**

**1. Call to Order**

**2. Agenda Review**

**3. Public Comment**

**4. Approval of Secretary's Minutes for Thursday, May 12, 2020 –Deb**

**5. Treasurer's Report**

Status of budget and restoration accounts – Lynn  
Operating Budget and expenses through May  
Encumbered expenses in 2018-19 budget – First floor window (status)  
Status of store account – petty cash; Park Place Hardware balance  
Additional donations for restoration resulting from funding request letter

**6. Communications** – Mail or email – Website development, YouTube Channel, addition suggestion  
Thank You Notes for recent donations

**7. Monument and Grounds Activity Status Reports:**

- Building status:
  - Interior conditions
    - Roof inspection: report from Tremco – on going changes
- Grounds status
  - Driveway and flag, trash removal, weed removal, mowing conditions
  - Picnic tables, water fountain, (extra spigot key)
- Other:

**Old Business:**

- Continued Development of special “friends” group -volunteer base – Deb
  - Ensuring active and new membership; posting on Facebook sites
- New merchandise: pewter ornaments received and available – available through Jack
- Cemetery Walk for 2020 – Location, research, and confirm date: October 17; rain date October 18
  - Scouting of Forest View/Rowley Street Cemetery on going
  - Cemetery plot map – secured; what location, sites
- Window replacement with James Pedolini and Roland Goulet (Sullivan Glass)
  - Work status
- Cannon bases: continued discussion
- Memorial Day, wreath, planter flowers, continued visuals
- Other

**New Business:**

- Participation in Winchester 250 events – planning for special closing event on Saturday, November 13, 2021 – Use of The Gilbert School formally approved.; committee to select the top 12 to 14 historical characters from all of the cemetery walks by July 1, 2020; begin discussion with actor/participants – Committee membership from commission to lead this participation – Emily Sullivan, director/producer (with help from all of us)
- July 4<sup>th</sup> (Saturday) opening – in person or virtual – reading of the Declaration of Independence
- Suggestions for major summer event at monument in July or August 2020
- Soldiers’ Monument masks – report
- Remaining budget and expenses
- Other:

**Adjournment:**

Next Monthly Scheduled Meetings:

July 9, 2020    August 13, 2020    September 10, 2020