

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, August 10th, 2023 – 7 P.M.

Lee Ann LeClair Room (Blue Room), 2nd floor, Town Hall, Winsted, CT

Steve Dew, Chairman
Jack Bourque, Vice-Chair
Kristin McCartney, Secretary
Lynn Kessler, Treasurer

John Noone Membership Pending
Deborah Kessler
Virginia Shultz-Charette
Paul Parent

Esther Dew Membership Pending
Historical Event Advisors:
Blair & Mary Lou Pavlik

1. Call to Order

2. Public Comment:

3. Approval of Secretary's Minutes: July 13th 2023

4. Treasurer's Report: Lynn Kessler, Treasurer

Status of budget and restoration accounts

Balance of Structure and Maintenance acc.

Detailed "Events and Fundraising" budget due before January 1st 2024

Dave Webb to paint the 1st floor windows to match 2nd and 3rd floors \$1200.00 COMPLETED

Review of existing inventory and discussion.

Added to inventory:

10 hats. Cost \$12.00 each. Retail for \$20.00 each. \$120.00 paid from Petty Cash

Commemorative Medals \$5.00 each

5. Communications – Mail or email

6. Monument and Grounds Activity Status Reports:

Water inside the Monument.

Drone pictures and video, concerning water infiltration, from Albert Petrunti

For future consideration: Pavers, Front Door, Trail Cam/Security, 2nd and 3rd floor Museum,

Flag Pole, QR code, Cannon Carriages and Trimming of brush along the driveway

Garden update: Virginia, Lynn, and Deb. Still looks marvelous!

Identity of the Ghost Weeder(s)? Send thank you card?

7. On-going activities:

Historical information update on Cannon mounts, Lynn and Steve \$33,000.00

Lynn: Report on possibles grants

Cannon fund raising ideas Deb:

LRB special beer. 2nd Home cocktail. Gilson. Raffle Cheryl Bartley artist print. Christmas Market.
Car show. Bowling Alley. Tort Museum.

Website changes/development Facebook updates.

Methods for improved Public Notification of events. Winsted Citizen, Winsted Wire

All future advertising must include our address 84 Crown St Winsted

Our email account: winchestersoldiersmonument@gmail.com

Continued Development of special "friends" group -volunteer base – Deb

Esther Dew's and John Noone's memberships are pending.

8. 2023 Events and Openings Discussion

August 13th: Virginia: Curiouser and Curiouser No Steve and Esther

September 11th Mad River Music \$200.00

Cemetery Walk: Cemetery Walk @ Forest View Cemetery, upper-level Oct 14th Rain date 15th

Veterans Day: Jack Gettysburg Address. Bench dedication.

Volunteers needed for openings (2) each month

9. New Business:

Money Donation News Letter

Tea Party: Sheila and Verna

Freedom Trail application

Adjournment:

Next Monthly Scheduled Meetings
Second Thursdays of the month

September 14th 2023 October 12th 2023 November 9th 2023