

## War Monument Restoration Committee

December 1, 2016

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 AM

Attendees: Jon Schoenberg, Dave Vannicola, Pat Jennings, Steve Cronin, John Lee, and Stu Sklar

Minutes from the Nov 3, 2016 meeting were read and accepted as corrected.

Stu reported that there is a rumor that the old WWII memorial exists in Town stored in an unknown barn. Stu will continue to look.

Stu reported that donations can be accepted to fund the committees work. Checks should be made out to the Town of Harvard/ War Memorial Restoration Committee.

Steve reported that he can't get a list of living veterans in town from the Town Clerk. Only the Veterans Agents can. The last list from 2007 contained 289 veterans living in Town.

Jon Showed pictures of, and described the Charlton NY veteran's memorial. It was estimated to contain about 900 names. The residency requirement to be included is 8 years. Stu reported a similar one in Shutesbury MA.

Steve showed pictures of all the memorials to veterans in Harvard. Pictures will be attached before submitting this document for posting. They included the WWI flagpole monument, the Civil War monument, the WWII/Korean War/Vietnam War monument, the Roger Skilling Monument, the Capt. Benjamin Stewart Grave, the Williams stone, the Bellevue

Cemetery flagpole for veterans, the Center Cemetery flagpole.

Suggestions were made to update the WWII memorial. Those included adding names to the monument and adding additional stones to the monument to include the Korean War, the Vietnam War,

The condition and repair of the WWI flagpole monument was discussed. Stu will contact Robert Adams, the individual responsible for the repair of the Powder House. He will try to get a cost estimate for a repair of the existing monument and an estimate of how long the repairs will last. Pat reported she contacted Swenson Granite in NH for a cost estimate to replicate the existing monument in granite. They have not responded to her request yet. Jon suggested we target Nov 11, 2018 for a rededication of the memorial. It would be the 100th anniversary of the ending of WWI. All agreed.

Everyone agreed to have their e-mail posted on the webpage as a contact to the committee

Next meeting Jan 5, 2017