

Metuchen Parade Commission

Minutes

January 12, 2021, 7:15-8:15PM

Attendees: Brendan Flynn, Patricia Lucas-Schnarre, Lynne Mueller and Elen Regan

- Approved meeting notes from November 2020
- **Memorial Day Parade**
 - Poster Contest
 - Display submissions on Metuchen Art Council website, no printouts
Judges to select the finalists via the Art Council website
Will use FB to promote the Art Council website
 - Patricia to reach out to the school Art Teachers with details by February 15
 - Rolling Parade
 - Ellen will contact Melissa to ensure the Borough and Chief Irizarry approve
 - Once confirmed, will reach out to Rob Donnan to let him know the Parade Commission would like to be involved.
 - Ideas include: print route in the Mirror and post on social media and sell lawn signs “thank you first responders”
 - Lynne to contact Blue Parachute for cost estimate on signs
 - Ellen to check with friends in town who produced lawn signs in 2020 for their printers.
 - Memorial Park Ceremony
 - Brendan to check with Mayor Busch regarding pre-recording the ceremony, similar to the winter festivities
- **Mid-year presentation to Borough Council**
 - Patricia will reach out to Susan to request a new date to present and also secure a summer date for the 2021 mid-year presentation
 - Patricia will revise the deck to include the Winter Festival and Metuchen Lights and circulate to the commission once done
- **Winter Festival**
 - Final invoice to OLP has been paid
 - Commission agreed to pay artist \$100 for the flyer she had created to promote the window painting. Patricia will request an invoice.
 - Lynne shared there is a meeting on February 4 with the heads of the Temples to discuss fundraising for a new Menorah for the Plaza
- **New Business**

- 2021 Parade Commission meeting schedule will include monthly meetings on the first Monday of every month, with three exceptions*:
 - Feb. 2*, March 1, April 5, May 3, June 7, July 6*, Aug. 2, Sept. 7*, Oct. 4, Nov. 1, Dec. 6
- Armed Forces Commission representative
 - Lynne will contact Brian Stike, VP at MHS, about being a member of the Commission
- Commission agreed to add “associate/intern” members to assist throughout the year
 - Patricia will contact Bernie Heizel and Lynne will reach out to Terri Kohl