

Veterans' Committee Minutes
December 8, 2008 – 4:30 p.m.

Present: Chairman Barrett; Supervisors Jenkins, Lucia, Raymond, Sausville, Wright and Thompson; Spencer Hellwig, Mgmt. Analyst; Bob Mitchell, Veterans' Agency; Joe Ritchey, DPW; Jennifer Ciulla, Publication Specialist.

Chairman Barrett called the meeting to order and welcomed all in attendance.

On a motion made by Mr. Sausville, seconded by Mr. Lucia the minutes of the November 10, 2008 meeting were approved unanimously.

Mr. Ritchey reported back to the committee after speaking to the Department of Transportation with the following information:

After reviewing the route to the National Cemetery with the Department of Transportation it was concluded that the signage for the two designated routes was adequate. The Department of Transportation said they would not be involved or allow any additional signage on a state right-of-way, as the two routes are deemed the most safe and direct.

Mr. Barrett suggested putting a map on the county website that very clearly states the routes to the cemetery.

Ms. Raymond suggested having the route put on map quest as well.

Mr. Barrett asked Ms. Ciulla for her assistance.

Mr. Mitchell announced that Mr. Corsale recently received the Veteran of the Year award at the National Military Museum on Lake Avenue in Saratoga Springs.

Mr. Barrett said he would like to have a ceremony at the next Board of Supervisors meeting to honor Mr. Corsale.

Mr. Mitchell suggested that the county hold a ceremony for the WWII Veterans who served between December 7, 1941 to December 31, 1946. The ceremony would be held at the City Center on October 26, 2009.

Mr. Mitchell said that a medal would be distributed to each WWII Veteran at the ceremony. He said the medal would have the liberty ribbon attached, but the Board of Supervisors would choose the medal.

Mr. Barrett said that after his review of the medal that he would suggest using the same Saratoga County Logo with WWII Veteran on it. The committee agreed.

Mr. Barrett asked all committee members to inform their town assessors that Mr. Mitchell will be calling them to obtain information with regard to a list of WWII Veterans in their respective towns.

A motion was made by Mr. Jenkins, seconded by Mr. Sausville in support of holding a ceremony and reception at the City Center on October 26, 2009 in honor of WWII Veterans. Unanimous.

On a motion made by Mr. Lucia, seconded by Mr. Wright the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Chris Sansom