

Minutes
Seymour Parade/Events Committee
Special Meeting
Monday, March 23, 2026 @6:00 PM
Seymour Public Library
46 Church Street
Seymour, Connecticut 06483

Members Present: Paula Chapla, Robin Shaw, Harvey Catlin, Alex Danka, Yolanda Bellinger, Stephanie Danka, Alyssa Antonucci-Avenia, Manpreet Sachdeva

Members not present: Danielle Capozziello, Jill Demko, Alyssa Dematteo

Meeting called to order at 6:00pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approve meeting minutes of February 12, 2026. Paula 1st motion, Preet 2nd

Memorial Day Parade – Saturday May 23rd at 11:00am. Saturday was chosen over Sunday due to less intrusion with the area churches and was also recommended by the Police Department. Veterans will not be marching because it is Poppy Day. Harvey made a motion to choose George Bashura to be the Grand Marshall. A committee member will reach out to him to get his approval. Parade will be starting around Rose Street and Derby Avenue. Preet will send out the registration in the next few days. Registration will end on May 1st. Discussed the best place for the younger participants to be picked up by parents after marching. Alex made a motion to donate funds to Pastor Tammy's Church to help pay for hot dogs after the parade. Motion denied by all. No band afterwards as well.

250th Birthday Celebration – Fireworks will be Thursday, July 2nd at 9:15pm at Chatfield Park. Rain date will be July 10th. Shuttles will be provided leaving from Chatfield School and Basement Systems. A band "100 Degree" will be entertaining everyone along with a petting zoo and face painting. These will start at 6:00pm.

New Business – The committee would like to apply for grants to be used for a new sound system and walkie-talkies. A second grant to help fund the Christmas Light Parade.

Alyssa will post the Veteran Banner registrations from March 27th – April 6th. The price of \$150.00 will stay the same.

Stephanie will look for new costumes. Many of our costumes are very well worn. New costumes such as Bluey, Minions, Uncle Sam will be used at the 250th Celebration and Memorial Day Parade.

Adjourn meeting 6:50pm. Harvey 1st, Preet 2nd.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin Shaw