



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS
VETERANS' SERVICES DEPARTMENT

JOSEPH A. CURTATONE
MAYOR

MINUTES OF THE DEDICATION COMMISSION MEETING - 28 FEBRUARY 2013

Present: Jay Weaver, John Liddell, Ted Gerber, Kathy Carey

Absent: Tony Mattarazzo

The meeting came to order at 11:05 a.m.

The following requests were discussed and voted on:

1. Petition to dedicate Broadway and Walnut Street to TSgt Paul I. McCarthy, U.S. Army. **Yes** (unanimous).
2. Petition to dedicate Porter Street and Summer Street to S1C Felix J. Manfra, U.S. Navy. **Yes** (unanimous).
3. Petition to dedicate Gilman Terrace and Pearl Street to S1C Paul A. Salvo, U.S. Navy. **Yes** (unanimous).
4. Petition to dedicate Broadway and Kensington Avenue to the Stone Brothers (various branches). **Yes** (unanimous).
5. Petition to dedicate Broadway and Thurston Street to Cpl. William Philpott, U.S. Army. **No** (unanimous), for the following reasons:
 - a. Mr. Philpott's military record indicates that he served for a limited time (1 year, 10 months, 13 days). It does not indicate that he ever served in a combat zone. The Commission therefore does not feel that Mr. Philpott "served the nation in war," as required for square dedication under Ordinance No. 2006-06.
 - b. The petitioner has presented no evidence to corroborate her claim of substantial civilian community service.
7. Petition to dedicate the property known as the "Triangle" outside 90 Union Square to housing advocate Lou Ann David (deceased). **No** (unanimous), for the following reasons:



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- a. While the Commission agrees that Ms. David made a valuable and substantial contribution to the community through her advocacy, it does not feel that Ms. David's contributions were significant enough to warrant the dedication of such a large and prominent piece of city property.
- b. Accordingly, the Commission suggests the erection of a plaque commemorating Ms. David's contributions to Somerville at Clarendon Towers or on the building at 90 Union Square, subject to the approval of the individuals or entities having control of those buildings.

The meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.