Mystic Flag Committee Annual Meeting Minutes
June 14, 2025
S&P Oyster Company Restaurant

The meeting was called to order by President Eric Garofano at 8:15 AM.

Father Adam Thomas offered the Invocation.

Minutes from the last Annual Meeting held on June 14, 2024 were distributed as part of the day's agenda. There being no corrections, the minutes were accepted as presented.

Treasurer Adam Strelczuk distributed the Annual Treasurer's Report for the period June 1, 2024 to May 31, 2025 which are included as part of these minutes. We have brought in $5,060 so far from our recent membership drive, and a generous personal donation of $6,000. Total income is $11,976, with projected expenses at $8,447. The Operating Account at CGB currently has a balance of $12,208, and the Endowment Fund has a balance of $40,708. The report was approved as presented.

MFC recognized Scout Troop #76 and thanked them for putting the flags out on Route 1 and adjoining streets, with a total of 300 flags. Joel Harding shared past and upcoming events including a Thanksgiving Feast last November, donation to food pantries, a ski trip, camping on Block Island and Newport, and summer camp. There was 1 new Eagle Scout this year.

Vice President George Sylvestre spoke about our current fundraising effort, which includes driving people to our new website, a Business Before Hours with the Mystic Chamber of Commerce, and other marketing efforts to come. He pointed out that our expenses have surpassed the income we receive from our current membership mailing alone, that we are 100% donation based, and made an appeal to those present to help us in our efforts.

Eric Garofano presented the list of nominations for officers for the 2025-2026 year which was approved as follows:

President: Linda Kennedy O'Toole
Vice President: George Sylvestre
Asst. Vice President: Greg Benoit
Treasurer: Adam Strelczuk
Secretary: Tom Ljubicic
Flag Captain: Jack Hilbert
Assistant Flag Captain: Rich Dussault
Membership: Jamie Densmore, Tom Ljubicic
Nominations: Eric Garofano
Newest Member at Large: Colleen Martin

Eric Garofano thanked those in attendance, S&P Oyster Company Restaurant, Troop 76, Densmore Oil, Town of Stonington and Russ Holly for their contributions to the MFC.

Benediction was offered by Father Adam Thomas.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 AM.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Kennedy O'Toole, Secretary