

## 9-11 Remembrance Committee

Meeting Date – July 8, 2024

Called to order at 7:04 P.M by Mayor Thomas Fritts for the initial meeting

Attendance taken –

Thomas Fritts  
Nikki Darling  
Erika DeKranes  
Kemani Scott  
Cheryl Johnston Willois  
Sheryl Oliver



One member of the public present

Pledge of Allegiance said

Compliance statement read by Council President DeKranes

Appointment of officers

Chairperson – Thomas Fritts  
Co-Chairperson – Nikki Darling  
Secretary – Cheryl Johnston Willois

Approved by committee

Discussion started on how Allentown Borough was going to honor the 9-11 Day of remembrance. After discussion it was decided that the event should be held in the evening starting at 7:30PM instead of in the morning as there are a large number of events in the morning. Members of the community would be invited to join the procession after survivors of the tragedy and first responders walked. The procession would start at (tentatively) Board Street and end at Sensi Park. Once everyone was gathered at the park the names of the Monmouth County residents that perished during the attack would be read.

Discussion of who was to be contacted to see if they would participate was held. Initial list is  
New Jersey Fire Museum  
County Commissioners  
Hope Fire Company  
Any former members of Allentown First Aid Squad  
UFRSD – AHS Choir

Type of Service to be held discussed – Candlelight/Lanterns at the park placing lights into lake with removal by next day

Flags currently on Main Street would be requested to remain in place until 9/12/2024 instead of being take down by DPW after Labor Day – to be handled by Councilwoman Darling.

Member of the community would be allowed to add names of friends and family to list as well as First Responders who reside in the borough but work for another agency that responded could also be added to the list of names read.

The member of the public who is present asked to be on the committee. He would be given the volunteer sign up form by Council President DeKranes. Mr. Tony Cacciotti of Millstone Twp will be added to the committee once approved by Council.

Mayor Thomas Fritts to contact commissioners  
Councilwoman Nikki Darling will contact DPW and the Allentown Police Department regarding their participation.

Cheryl Johnston Willois will reach out to former squad members, Fire Museum, NJ Task Force One

Tony Ciaccotti will reach out to the Millstone Elks

Discussion was held regarding obtaining banners to announce event and the placement of the banners

Robbinsville to be contacted as well.

Tentative schedule of the evening's event discussed

March down Main Street – Advise county of the need to have part of the street closed temporarily to vehicle traffic

People who served encouraged to be in uniform

National Anthem

Reading of names – Bells/Tap

Resolution honoring volunteers

Amazing Grace

Invite the Senior community to be involved

Meeting adjourned at 8:07 PM