

VILLAGE OF DOBBS FERRY BOARD OF TRUSTEES AGENDA

MEETING DATE: JUNE 8, 2021

AGENDA ITEM SECTION: PRESENTATIONS

AGENDA ITEM NO.: 1

AGENDA ITEM: MAYOR ROSSILLO TO ISSUE A PROCLAMATION TO THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY FOR THE 2021 ROAD TO FREEDOM

ITEM BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:

1. DESCRIPTION OF THE ROUTE AND THE PROGRAM AS CURRENTLY PLANNED

Description of the route and the presently planned program

The Walk starts in Gould Park near the horse trough. After a brief talk (5 min.), we exit at Washington Ave and proceed west on Ashford. For this part, the reenactors, which this year will only be the three fife and drum performers, march in the road. We enter the Little White Church Cemetery where we have a short program (5 min.). In the past muskets get fired in the cemetery but at this time, we are not planning to include that.

Then we continue west on Ashford to Broadway on the sidewalk. This is where the units of Washington's army that were departing the encampment were surprised to be ordered to turn north rather than to continue south to attack the British in Manhattan. We follow their route and turn north on Broadway. The police cross us somewhere around the diner. We proceed north on the sidewalk. We turn left at the Landing and go back via the Aqueduct (heading south). When we reach Cedar street, the police direct us along Main and back to Elm street where we finish at the headquarters of the Dobbs Ferry Historical Society on 12 Elm Street.

In past years we have either a program or reenactor/docents and exhibits at various locations on the premises as well as refreshments. Being mindful of COVID this year, our present planning is that we will end the program when we reach the Mead House. We plan to distribute pre-packaged refreshments and revolutionary period themed gift bags for the children.