

VILLAGE OF DOBBS FERRY BOARD OF TRUSTEES AGENDA

MEETING DATE: AUGUST 10, 2021

AGENDA ITEM SECTION: DISCUSSION ITEMS

AGENDA ITEM NO.: 3

AGENDA ITEM: DISCUSSION OF REQUEST FOR A PROCLAMATION DECLARING OCTOBER 1, 2021 AS SCOTTY SHEVLIN DAY IN THE VILLAGE OF DOBBS FERRY; AND REQUEST FOR PLACEMENT OF STONE/PLAQUE IN GOULD PARK IN HONOR OF MR. SHEVLIN

ITEM BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:

1. LETTER DATED JULY 29, 2021 FROM DAVID "SCOTTY" SHEVLIN DAY COMMITTEE TO MAYOR ROSSILLO AND THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Thank you Mayor Rossillo and the Board of Trustees for your consideration.

Proposal: A David "Scotty" Shevlin Day in the Village of Dobbs Ferry

When: Friday, October 1, 2021, or Saturday, October 2, 2021 [will confirm ASAP]

What: The committee is looking for the Mayor and BOT to issue a Proclamation posthumously to David "Scotty" Shevlin, for overall contributions made to our Dobbs Ferry community and DFHS sports. We would like the proclamation to be presented at the Homecoming varsity football game at the above date mentioned. County Legislator MaryJane Shimsky will also attend this event with a county proclamation.

The committee is asking the Board to consider giving permission to erect a plaque, embedded in a rock, to be unveiled at ceremonies right before the football game. We are not asking for a "dedication" of any park space. Just a place to pay homage to Scotty's volunteerism.

Mention the name "Scotty" to a great percentage of Village residents, you will get a smile and then you will get a story or memory of him. Some of his qualities listed below would evoke some of those memories;

Dedicated- DFHS Varsity football announcer for 47 years straight

An Educator- DFHS teacher

A Veteran- was a medic in the Vietnam War

Generous- always donated to any local cause

A Patriot-faithful member of our DF American Legion Post 1048

A Coach- DFHS soccer

A Mentor- stays connected to generations of students and athletes

Above all a good friend- everyday lifted the spirits and was an unofficial leader of his DF Senior Center friends.

These are just few of his qualifications, Scotty was a gift to Dobbs Ferry, definitely make this a better place to live

Notes:

The plaque and rock will be acquired privately, will cost to the Village only be placement of the rock.

The plaque has the backing of the Dobbs Ferry Recreation Commission, recently approved at their July 19 meeting

Without fail at every game, Scotty would promote the Dobbs Ferry economy, urging spending at our stores, restaurants, events, etc.

The plaque/rock would be located somewhere near the Devoe St park entrance, with final approval from General Foreman Steven Trezza.

To truly know the man, he was a gift to Dobbs Ferry and was everything that made Dobbs Ferry a one of a kind place to live.

Text of the plaque which will measure $9"x\ 12"$, with the rock size being a minimal size as possible:

David "Scotty" Shevlin

"Voice of the Eagles"

1973-2020

Scotty's wit and spirit touched

Generations of people in Dobbs Ferry

His voice will echo forever

We knew him VERY well

Go Eagles!

Once again the committee thanks you for time and consideration.

Mark Leggiero, Co-Chair [Dobbs Ferry Recreation Commission member]

Abby Connett, Co-Chair [Senior Advocate]

Head football coach Joe Cox

Ex-Police Chief Betsy Gelardi

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