

Maryland Military Monuments Commission Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, July 12, 2017
100 Community Place
Crownsville, MD 21032

Present: Chair McDowell; Commissioners Balkoski, Dooley, Kurtz, Morrill, Schnell, Soderberg, Sprague, Toomey, Wisniewski; Staff Karen Kennedy

Absent: Commissioners Martel, McKown, Rude, Jewitt, Villanueva, Plumb, Stone

Guest: Noah Jaques (Intern)

Chair McDowell called the meeting to order at 1:02 pm.

Chair McDowell:

- Welcomed commissioners and guest.
- Asked if everyone had reviewed the Minutes.
 - Commissioner Wisniewski made a motion to accept minutes
 - Commissioner Sprague seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Financial Report

- Commissioner Kurtz gave funding update.
 - A total of \$16,175 of FY 2016 funds were invoiced:
 - \$14,765 was invoiced for Eastern Shore monuments maintenance, completed June 2017.
 - \$1,410 was invoiced for 5th Regiment Armory condition assessment.
 - Of the \$17,000 FY 2017 funds, \$10,577 were encumbered in contract for maintenance of 14 Western Shore monuments; to be done 2018. Award was made to Howard Wellman Conservation.
 - \$5,400 were encumbered for Towson Wayside Cross WWI Monument repointing.
 - \$15,000 were encumbered for Midland WWI/II Monument repointing.
 - \$13,977 overage to be paid from MHT budget.
 - \$90 K is estimate for 5th Regiment Armory WWI maintenance to be funded by Military Department.
 - \$5,937 remain in MMMC fund transferred from MDVA to Planning (MDP). From that, \$1,200 will reimburse Baltimore City for paving repairs after Military Dept. removes mortars from Hammann-Costin Monument.
 - FY 2018 budget is \$17,000

Ongoing Business

- Commissioner Kurtz gave update on 5th Regiment Armory WWI Memorial maintenance solicitation. DBM approved sole source procurement process. Working with Military Dept for an Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with MHT.
- Commissioner Balkoski gave update on Hammann-Costin Monument in front of armory. He is working with the City on agreement for Military Dept to move mortars to Maryland Museum of Military History in armory.

New Business

- David Craig, Executive Director of the Maryland World War I Centennial Commission, was unable to attend the meeting to brief us, but the Monuments Commission was represented at WWICC Kickoff at State House on July 6 when Action Plan was presented to Governor Hogan.
- Chair McDowell requested action to support MMMC attendance of Maryland 400 Commemoration during Battle Week at Old Stone House in Brooklyn on August 20.
- Commissioner Wisniewski made a motion for MMMC to support the Maryland 400 Commemoration. Commissioner Dooley seconded. Motion passed unanimously. The Maryland Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution have chartered a bus to Brooklyn at a cost of \$75 per person, with lunch included. Attendance is optional.

Announcements

- The next meeting date is Wednesday, October 11, at 1 pm in Crownsville
- Commissioner Dan Toomey and Steve Hammond have just published the book, The Annapolis and Elk Ridge Rail Road: 1837-1885.
- Commissioner Balkoski announced there is to be a commemoration of the 200th anniversary of the Aquila Randall Monument in North Point on July 21 at 10 am.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:54 pm.