



North Carolina Military Affairs Commission

Minutes of the 4th Quarter October 16th, 2017, Base Sustainability and Community Affairs Committee Meeting, Goldsboro City Hall, 200 N. Center Street Goldsboro, NC

MEMBERS PRESENT

Col. Frank Bottorff, USMC Ret, Acting Chairman
Hon. Chuck Allen
Sonny Roberts

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES

Mr. Ronald Massey, City of Jacksonville
Mr. Dennis Goodson, Deputy Cmdr., 4MSG SJAFB
Ms. Whitney Christiansen, ACT (by phone)
Mr. Willie Casey, DMVA
Mrs. Kelly Jackson, DMVA

OPENING REMARKS

Acting Chairman Frank Bottorff called the meeting to order at 9:35 am. Acting Chairman Bottorff requested a moment of silence. Hon Chuck Allen welcomed everyone to the meeting and hoped that we had a great and productive meeting. The voting member in attendance were Frank Bottorff, Hon Mayor Allen and Sonny Roberts. A quorum was declared.

CONSENT AGENDA

Acting Chairman Frank Bottorff requested a motion to approve the minutes from the 3rd quarter meeting of the Committee on July 10, 2017. Hon Chuck Allen made the motion, which was seconded by Mr. Sonny Roberts and passed by unanimous vote with no further discussion.

DMVA UPDATES

Kelly Jackson reported that she had received new appointment letters for the NCMAC. Six from the Senate Pro Tem and 4 from the Speakers office. The NCMAC appointment roster will be updated. Mr. Willie Casey updated the group on information on Real ID project. The Real ID team and Willie Casey went to Elizabeth City, NC and plan to go to SJAFB. They have a plan for the next 180 days. The Elizabeth City meeting was very good and they had a lot of questions. The Real ID team will get answers to the questions. Willie will also be visiting Camp McCall about a solar farm at Camp McCall. Kelly Jackson also informed the group about the Holiday Reception hosted by the First Lady and Governor on Dec 16th from 10 am – 12 pm at the Executive Mansion for Military families. The military children are asked to make ornaments for a tree that will be decorated with these ornaments. Acting Chairman Bottorff requested that this information be shared with the Commanders at the Commanders Council. We would like a mix of branches to attend and a mix of ranks per branch.

CENSUS UPDATE: RONALD MASSEY

Ronald Massey briefed on the Census. No new updates. They are ramping up for the Local Update of Census Addresses (LUCA) for 2020 <https://www.osbm.nc.gov/luca-training-north-carolina>. They want to make sure that they are working with their partners on the base. The base will get instructions from the military chain of command. Acting Chairman Frank Bottorff said that there is a DOD Working Group that has probably already stood up. The base said that they will work with Ron's group. Chuck Allen said that the Fact Sheet that had been developed is excellent and he will be sharing it with the SJAFB Commander this week. Good information for the Base Commander to be aware of. No update if the Rule had been approved. Willie Casey stated that a question during the Real ID briefing from the Commanders was would Real ID affect the Census. Many of the employees at the Elizabeth City Coast Guard Base commute from Virginia. Ronald stated that yes it would. Acting Chairman Frank Bottorff commented that it is where the people sleep at night? Those employees should think about getting a compatible license from VA or their home state. Ronald Massey agreed with that statement. But as far as the Census goes, those people that live off base are going to report where they sleep at night. No more updates or comments.

NCMAC PRIORITIES: ACTING CHAIRMAN FRANK BOTTORFF

Acting Chairman Frank Bottorff lead the committee in reviewing the priorities. At the last NCMAC meeting they agreed to review the priorities and a look at a rewrite of the style. Acting Chairman Frank Bottorff worked off the copy given to the NCMAC. We are now starting from scratch. Need to review only the priorities that affect our committee. Great discussion by the committee on the priorities.

#Not Assigned: Implement strategies that support the recommendations in the Strategic Plan to protect, support and enhance military missions and installations in NC. This priority is too broad. Did not make an assessment.

#1: Assist State agencies and installations with efforts to preserve land and prevent encroachment near military installations and training ranges. Ensure that Hoffman Forest is maintained as a military training area (airspace only).

Lead: Sustainability Committee; Supporting: Legislative Committee; Coordination with NCDEQ and NCDA.

Action Item: Update every 30 days. Hoffman Forest – Delete. 18 Month Moratorium – Passed.

#2: Establish a Communications Plan for the DMVA and NCMAC to provide focused messages about the value of NC military installations at the federal, state and local levels.

Lead: Sustainability; Supporting: Legislative/Commerce/Host Cities; Coordinating: DMVA.

Action Item: Get the NCMAC to agree on what we want to accomplish and then create a plan to get there. Timelines and dates. Can look to Host Cities to take the lead on some of the items.

#3: Encourage Defense and Homeland Security related economic development opportunities associated with logistics and supply chain support for military aircraft and aviation equipment.

Lead: Economic Development. No action needed by this committee.

#4: Review legislation and proposals for construction of High Structures/Wind Turbine and other renewable energy projects which may adversely affect installations or training routes.

Recommended Revision: Combine with #1.

#5: Coordinate and assist with transportation infrastructure issues affecting military installations.

Lead: Sustainability; Supporting: NCDOT. Action: Update from NCDOT for the NCMAC. Commander's Council: What are their priorities? Need NCDOT to review the priorities local and strategic with the Commander's Council for transportation

#6: Integrate transitioning military members, veterans, Guard and Reserve, and military dependents into the NC workforce.

Lead: Economic Development

Recommended Revision: Improve the Quality of Life for Uniformed Service members, Veterans, and their families.

Lead: Quality of Life.

#7: Support NC National Guard legislative request for state support and funds to leverage federal funds and programs.

Lead: Legislative Affairs. No action needed by this committee.

#8: Coordinate stat funding for 911 call centers located on installations and potential integration with civilian call centers. ESG recommends deleting due to inability to resolve issues with military services.

Lead: Quality of Life; Coordinating: Legislative. Recommend to Delete.

#9: Research and coordinate on Military Child in Crisis procedures and availability of care facilities for behavioral and psychological problems.

Lead: Quality of Life. No action needed by this committee.

#10: Support Department of Public Instruction (DPI) initiatives to improve state support for military students.

Lead Quality of Life: Coordinating: DPI. No action needed by this committee.

#11: Coordinate State funding of fees for annual certifications for firefighters and EMT personnel

Lead: Legislative; Coordinating: Sustainability. Recommend to Delete.

FY 2017 PROPOSED BUDGET: ACTING CHAIRMAN FRANK BOTTORFF:

Acting Chairman Bottorff discussed the FY 2017 proposed budget with the committee. The Committee is not a budget committee but Acting Chairman Frank Bottorff developed a draft potential budget that he wanted to review with the committee. Acting Chairman Bottorff sent questions to the Budget Task Force. The draft budget consists of New Line Descriptions: Administration, Conferences, Contracted Services, NC4ME, EDPNC, Community Grants, Additional Travel DMVA, OEA Grant Support, Sentinel Landscape, and Miscellaneous Expense. The 2017-2019 Appropriation \$2,000,000. The 2017-2018 Planned Budget is \$1,100,000 and the 2018-2019 Planned Budget is \$900,000 for a Total of \$2,000,000. These funds are a 2-year appropriation.

COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS: ACTING CHAIRMAN FRANK BOTTORFF:

Acting Chairman Frank Bottorff requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. Hon Chuck Allen made the motion, which was seconded by Mr. Sonny Roberts and passed by unanimous vote. Acting Chairman Frank Bottorff adjourned the meeting at 10:44 am.