



## **NORTH CAROLINA MILITARY AFFAIRS COMMISSION**

### **Minutes for Executive Steering Group (ESG) Meeting, 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter, May 7, 2019, Department of Public Instruction/Commerce Building, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor South, 301 N. Wilmington Street, Raleigh**

#### **Members Present**

Frank Bottorff, Base Sustainability, Chair  
Kirk Warner, Quality of Life, Chair  
David Hayden, Economic Development,  
Chair

#### **Members Not Present**

Chairman Grier Martin  
Senator Harry Brown

#### **Additional Attendees**

Secretary Larry Hall, DMVA  
Chad Sydnor, Cassidy and Associates  
Ed Turlington, Brooks Pierce  
Matt Bales, Brooks Pierce  
Paul Friday, NCMAC Member  
Chris Hayley, LA for G. Martin  
Kelly Jackson, DMVA  
James Mills, ADS

#### **OPENING REMARKS: VICE CHAIRMAN FRANK BOTTORFF**

Vice Chairman Frank Bottorff called the meeting to order at 10:00 am. Vice Chairman Bottorff welcomed everyone to the Executive Steering Group (ESG) meeting. The Group had a quorum.

#### **CONSENT MINUTES: VICE CHAIRMAN FRANK BOTTORFF**

Vice Chairman Bottorff asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Kirk Warner made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by David Hayden and passed by a unanimous vote. He also asked for a motion to approve the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter meeting minutes held on February 5, 2019. Kirk Warner made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by David Hayden and passed by a unanimous vote.

#### **DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS (DMVA) UPDATE: SECRETARY LARRY HALL**

Kelly Jackson informed the Group about the event that DMVA hosted, Military Child Appreciate event on Friday, April 26 in Raleigh. It was a wonderful event. The students that attended the event were from 3<sup>rd</sup> grade classes at Camp Lejeune and Fort Bragg school systems. There were a few National Guard students that also attended the event. On Friday, May 10 the DMVA is hosting a Military Spouse Appreciation event at the Contemporary Art Museum in Raleigh from 6-8 pm. Then on Friday, May 17 we will be hosting the Armed Forces Enlistment/Reenlistment event at the Governor's Mansion.

David Hayden asked Secretary Hall if he had been given comments at the NC Vetbiz event that he had just come from. He said that the event was well attended, and they have some new businesses participating. Secretary Hall had no additional comments for the group.

#### **QUALITY OF LIFE (QOL) COMMITTEE: KIRK WARNER**

Kirk Warner said that the QOL had a meeting on April 4 and it was a great meeting with approximate 18 attendees. We focused a lot on the K-12 update which includes the military host County Superintendents meeting and the Military Interstate Children's Compact Commission (MIC3) meeting.

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Some of the focus was on the Purple Star program we have put together a committee to move forward on that program. They need to determine where this program should be nested, Department of Public Instruction (DPI) or DMVA. This is a low-cost program and good public relations for that school. If DPI gets the Military Coordinator positions in this budget, they could help to implement this program. We received a report from Troops to Teachers from Doug Taggart. He has 30 hires this year. We talked about Senate Bill 761, Credit for Military Training at the University and Community College systems. We had questions about a budget request that they had submitted for \$350,000 which included \$200,000 for the Military Credit Advisory Council (MCAC). This request is to update their website and improve the software systems. Kirk Warner said that he had just received an update from Susan Barbitta, Community College system that they have made significant progress in the past few weeks. At our meeting we also had a great presentation by Siobhan Norris, UNC system. Her presentation was very informative, and we need to have her present at an NCMAC meeting. Their enrollment of military affiliated students are big numbers. Military-Affiliated Students; ASU 1,264 children; NCSU: 1,232 children, 15 spouses; UNCW: 873 children, 349 spouses; and ECU: 428 children, 229 spouses. The Board of Governors in the UNC system has a special committee for Military Veterans Affairs and we need to be working with them. These are some of the topics on the educational front. We also talked about the legislation that has been filed. We had another good report from the NC Arts Council as it relates to Veterans. Kevin Burch also gave then committee an update on different legislation.

We plan to set up a military spouse working group and want to reach out to the Economic Development Committee. I will be working with David Hayden on this working group. Frank Bottorff asked if that was a spin off from a presentation at the last NCMAC meeting? Kirk Warner said yes and no. Some of that was presented but there is also some brew steaming up about spouse licensure. NC has made some great progress and we need to continue to march forward and investigate any loop holes that there might be. This working group and make recommendation on any of the gaps that they may find. Frank Bottorff said that it was about spouse licensure and a couple of Facebook posts or poles. Kelly Jackson said that the discussion was at the last NC Commander's Council (NCCC). COL Baldwin had asked his staff to look at what had been done and give an update at the next NCCC. Kirk Warner said that he was reaching out to Dan Dunham, VA Department of Education to see if he is available to present at the May NCMAC meeting. Then we will request that the UNC system presentation have time on the agenda at the August NCMAC meeting. Lastly, we are trying to clarify the 2 different requests for funding for the military school liaisons. Sen Brown and Sen Burgin filed a bill request \$450,000 and DPI submitted a budget request for \$350,000. The bill filed for \$450,000 adds an additional Military Liaison Officer for Harnett County. Frank Bottorff asked Kirk Warner what presentation he wanted for the May NCMAC meeting. Kirk Warner said the requested time for Dan Dunham to present and if time allowed for the Purple Star program to give an update.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE: DAVID HAYDEN**

David Hayden said that they had an Economic Development Committee meeting on April 2, 2019. That meeting was Cresswell Elmore's last meeting as the Chairman of the Economic Development Committee. The highlights from the meeting were that we received a budget update from Frank Bottorff. We now have our Lobbying service on board. We had an update from Jamie Norment for Marine Corps Air Station (MCAS) and Fleet Readiness Cent East (FRC East). Their priority is still hurricane recovery and the second priority are military construction dollars and the concern that the funds could

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be shifted to the border. There was a difference of opinion on what was at risk. Scott Dorney from the NC Military Business Center (NCMBC) felt like there are only 3 contracts that are at risk. We don't know the answers yet, but we do know that there has been more government contracting funding in that government contracting area. Hopefully the high priority for recovery from both the hurricane recovery and the ongoing military construction to support the F35 fleet that is moving to the Air Station will continue on track and not be affected too much. The good news from FRC East is that they are bursting at the seams with people and work. That is the same message that I received at a meeting I attended last week at a Government Contracting Update Conference. The last quarter of government contracting has gone up dramatically. Funding from 2020 for Military Construction (MILCON) for NC is up to \$465 million and that is up from \$315 million in 2019. We went from \$5 billion to \$6 billion in prime contract awards from FY 2017-FY 2018. Contracting for 2018 was better than we anticipated. We have prime contracts in 99 of our 100 counties in NC. We also have a bill in the senate, Senate Bill (SB) 342, that was introduced to support the funding for NCMBC. Something that this Commission has supported. Scott Dorney said that he would support any help in pushing along a similar bill in the House that would support that increase in funding. David Hayden said that he wished Sally-Ann Gupta was at the meeting, so he could talk to her about reaching out to members of the House to see if they wanted to support a Companion bill for SB 342. We ended our meeting talking about Brad Helton's departure from Economic Development Partnership for North Carolina (EDPNC). David Hayden was told by Chris Chung that they have identified a replacement for Brad Helton, but they are not sharing the name at this time. It is someone that has working experience in the defense industry in NC. They will be a great asset in this position and hope he will be taking the position soon.

That is all the information from the meeting but there are other things that have come out since the meeting. David Hayden has been trying to set up meetings with Secretary Hall, DMVA, Sec Copeland, Commerce and Chairman Grier Martin. He has been able to meet with Chairman Martin and will continue to work to meet with the other 2 gentlemen. Another development, as you know we have funded the re-refresh of the Cluster Analysis Study. We had a kick off meeting on April 26. The team from Research Triangle Institute (RTI) that worked on the study 10 years ago will also be working the study this time. They have the background to work on this study and do a quality piece of work. They have 3 goals and they are to understand where the Department of Defense (DoD) is growing, determine how this impacts NC and how do we capitalize on this information. They described in detail the 4 phases of how they plan to conduct this study and we gave them a 1-year contract. They anticipate having it completed in 6-8 months, culminating with a final report at the end of December. But as each phase is completed, they will provide us with a report. Depending on the timing we may have them present at a Full Commission meeting. The first and second phases should be done by August and the final phase by Oct-Dec timeframe. That should be a head of schedule. Frank Bottorff asked if the Cluster Analysis something that should be updated to the entire Commission in May or August? David Hayden said that we needed to wait. Once they have completed the first two phases, we will have our next quarterly meeting and that would be a good time for a presentation. Kirk Warner said that he recommended that someone give them a heads up about presenting at the August meeting. David Hayden said that he would do that. No further comments.

**BASE SUSTAINABILITY AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE: FRANK BOTTORFF**

Frank Bottorff said that the Base Sustainability and Community Affairs Committee met on April 9<sup>th</sup> in

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Goldsboro. We did a couple of things and I will talk about the budget now. We did talk about the budget, but I don't have a copy with me but what we will need to do at the next meeting is two-fold. One is to review the budget request that we submitted and the basis for our 2019-2020 budget. We still have money in the bank, so assuming that the State budget is not approved for our May meeting, what we can do is approve expenditures as required for the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2020. That way we don't stop paying for anything on 1 July. We will approve a short-term budget with those items that we are already committed to pay. Then we will wait for the State budget to be approved. If the State budget is approved, then we will approve our annual budget. I have not updated the monthly payments yet, but it will be updated for the Full commission meeting. We will have a full accounting of our budget and our spending plan.

At our meeting we talked about the lobbying contract and the grant. We have an ongoing grant which is to Carteret County/Allies for Cherry Point Tomorrow (ACT) and the City of Jacksonville. We are going to want to get an update on both of those grants at the NCMAC meeting from the awardees. Then we have the next round of grants which I think is ready for Request for Proposal (RFP). Kelly Jackson said that was correct, but she needed a little more time to work on the grant. Frank Bottorff said that we to get that out in the near future. Also, on that this is a budget question. Our original budget was for was for \$200,000 but we were authorized up to \$225,000. Then we had a discussion to make it \$225,000 but I don't remember if we voted to make it \$225,000. So, before we put this out we need to determine if we voted to go up to \$225,000. If we didn't we can make that change by a vote. Kirk Warner said that he thought we had done that, but we need to check. Kelly Jackson will check on that item. In the original budget we only authorized \$200,000 but since we had the money in the fund balance we said that we were going to increase it. I just want to ensure that we did make the motion and increase it to \$225,000 and voted on that motion. We need to see it in the minutes or it does not exist. We did get an update from Robert Hosford on Sentinel Landscape and he is planning on update the Full NCMAC at our next meeting and a debrief on the Association of Defense Communities (ADC) conference that he attended as representative for the NCMAC. We were not able to get an update on the mapping tool from Will Best as that project has been pushed back to the General Assembly and they have the lead on that project and all discussion around that project. There is ongoing Bill discussion relative to the map and the wind power legislation for limiting those areas with military impact. David Hayden asked if the military engaged on that and ask for more time to comment on that so that they could possible reduce some of those areas that we have? That is what I thought I got from Will Best last time I talked to him. Frank Bottorff said that he is not sure that that is the actual step that it is in. Kelly Jackson said that Will Best did not make any comments at the meeting but gave the name and contact information for the person to contact with questions or comments. David Hayden said that he thought that the Air Force and Marine Corps gave additional comments and they wanted to add additional reviews. Frank Bottorff said that he thought that was before the last step and that has already occurred. No further discussion.

**LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE: SALLY-ANN GUPTA**

Kelly Jackson said that the Legislative Affairs committee did meet on April 25, 2019 and asked that a copy of the bills that had been discussed at the meeting was give to the members of the ESG. This will be briefed at the May 21<sup>st</sup> NCMAC meeting. Frank Bottorff said that she planned to not brief all the bills but give a couple of highlights and pass out the list of all of them. If people have questions, they can check with the sponsor. Kelly Jackson said that the House Bill that was about the Military Interstate

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Children Compact Commission (MIC3) does have a companion Senate Bill. Frank Bottorff said that the bill he referenced was the Military Base Protection Act, Senate bill 377. Kirk Warner mention cross over, and that day would be May 9<sup>th</sup>. He also asked if anyone know which ones had made cross over? Frank Bottorff said he did not know that information. Kirk Warner said the question if a bill involves money it has to make cross over? Chris Hayley said that a bill has to cross from the House to the Senate, but he was not sure about the funding part. Secretary Hall said that if it has a revenue or expenditure it is supposed to but since the Senate strips bills, it is traditional. Kirk Warner said that he was wondering which bills were still in play. Secretary Hall said that if someone wants it bad enough, they are all in play. Frank Bottorff said that he thought the NCMAC would talk about the bill on high interest loans. A letter was sent out to all the Commission members this week from the Commanding General (CG) of Marine Corps Installation (MCI) East and Garrison Commander of Fort Bragg. That is House Bill 787 and Senate bill 587. This came out from the 2 commanders and the NCMAC may want to talk about this at our next meeting and support from the NCMAC. This came up a couple of years ago and not much has changed since then. This does not apply to Active Duty members but applies to their families and causes confusion. Chris Hayley said that this bill has not have any movement since April 4. No further discussion.

**BYLAWS TASK FORCE (TF): KIRK WARNER**

Kirk Warner said that there was some discrepancy with the Ethics training. That could be a topic for the future call for the bylaws committee. Frank Bottorff said that is something that we will need to address with the Commission members to review the requested training. The ethics and Statement of Economic Interest (SEI) training. Frank Bottorff said that the members need to complete the statement. Kelly Jackson said she did not think that was correct at this time. The Ethics Commission is not required at this time to assist or answer questions for the NCMAC as it is the Commission is not considered a Covered Board. Frank Bottorff said is that not a catch 22 and Kelly Jackson agreed. Kelly Jackson has asked all the Commission members to complete the Ethics training as required in the NCMAC bylaws. The NCMAC members are completing the Ethics training and putting the completed certificate under DMVA since NCMAC is not a listed commission on their website. This determination is still sitting with the Ethics Board and Katherine Edwards. Frank Bottorff said that we need to send an official letter to the Ethics Board since the Legislature has changed the authorities and responsibilities for the NCMAC which may impact that decision. The Commission members should still complete the Ethics training. Kelly Jackson said that she has sent all that information to Ms. Edwards for her review. Kelly Jackson will reach out to Ms. Edwards again. Kirk Warner said that the bylaws require the Ethics training and we need to continue to complete that training. When it comes to the Statement of Economic Interest not to require it unless asked. We need clarity on both items. Frank Bottorff said that we need a review from the Ethics Commission since their original decision was before we had any budgetary authority.

**FINANCE AND BUDGET TASK FORCE: FRANK BOTTORFF**

Frank Bottorff said that he had talked about the budget items during the Base Sustainability and Community Affairs briefing and had nothing to add.

**NEW BUSINESS: VICE CHAIRMAN BOTTORFF**

Vice Chairman Bottorff asked Kirk Warner to give an update on the Strategic planning event. We have put out a Request for Quote (RFQ) for facilitator Services as a build up to the Strategic Plan. This will be

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phase one of a multi-phase request. There will be a planning conference with members of the commission to get the facilitator up to speed. Then we will have a one-day strategic planning retreat with those selected members. Then a several hour breakout with the full commission with the facilitator and then a work product coming from that. We will be building a foundation for the preparation of the Strategic Plan which is due in 2020. We will need to get a Request for Proposal RFP completed soon. We put out the RFQ and had a tight left and right on what we wanted. We went with submission of under \$10,000 and we received a couple close bids. The awardee was Dr. Kathy Sturgis. Kirk Warner has seen her work with the USO and strategic planning for them. She will do a great job. Kelly Jackson said that the next step is to determine who will be members of the Strategic planning working group and set up the date. Kirk Warner recommends these individuals to be members of the working group. Stan Walz, Coast Guard, Chuck Allen, Seymour Johnson Air Force Base (SJAFB), Frank Bottorff, Marine Corps Air Station (MCAS) Cherry Point, Paul Friday, Marine Corps Base (MCB) Camp Lejeune, Arnold Gordon-Bray, Fort Bragg and Erin Adams, NCCC. Frank Bottorff said that we need to invite Chad Sydnor, Cassidy and Associates. Kirk Warner said that this group looked good and we need to move forward with this group. Kelly Jackson said that you need to select a date for the kick off with Kathy Sturgis.

### **CASSIDY AND ASSOCIATES: CHAD SYDNOR**

Vice Chairman Frank Bottorff introduced Chad Sydnor from Cassidy and Associates. They are the NCMAC Lobbying Firm from the DC area. Chad Sydnor introduced himself and the other team members with him. He had Ed Turlington and Matt Bales with him from Brooks and Pierce Law Firm in Raleigh that we have partnered with. We thought it was important to have a team here in the Capital and on the ground. We are one of the older government relations firms in Washington, DC. We have a pretty extensive National Security section and one of our specialties is the Base Realignment and Closure work. In addition to the State of North Carolina, we also represent Hawaii, Mississippi, New Jersey, Offit Air Force Base, and Chamber of Commerce at Fort Jackson. We are a bi-partisan group. There are about 30 members and evenly split between Democrats and Republicans. My background was both the House and Senate. In my last position I worked for Senator Burr and I was in the NC National Guard for 10 years and currently in the Army Reserves in the DC area. I grew up in Alamance County. We have been tracking all the issues and the big one that we are aware of is the Florence damage. The guidance that the Secretary of Defense put out was that there are 3 Military Construction (MILCON) projects that are at risk. The first is the ADAL facility warehouse to house the excess equipment for the KC-46 at Seymour Johnson Air Force Base (SJAFB). Then there are 2 projects at Camp Lejeune. This would be like rubbing salt in the wound if they would move that money. I have gone over to the Pentagon and talk to Jim Balocki, Deputy Assistant to the Secretary of the Navy and was at Fort Bragg and a retired Army Colonel, Engineer Officer. He was the Deputy to the Commander at United States Army Reserve Command (USARC) for many years and doing installations for the Navy. He went through all the numbers with me. Some of the people in Havelock were concerned that the Navy might be overlooking some of the Fleet Readiness Center (FRC) East projects, but he went over everything, building number by building number with estimates. I felt very confident that the Navy is tracking it. The requirement is \$3.4 billion, currently \$400 million have been reprogrammed and moved out of the Pakistan Military Assistant Account. It was a total of \$600 million which \$200 million went to Tyndall Air Force Base and \$400 million is coming to North Carolina. The House of Representatives recently released their MILCON

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appropriations bill and Ms. Wasserman Schultz of Florida is the Chairman. The bill contained disaster relief funding for \$4.2 billion. I know that Senators Burr and Tillis have been very engaged with Senator Boseman, Arkansas, Chairman of the Senate MILCON committee. We are hoping that figure on the Senate is a little closer to \$1.7 billion but that remains to be seen. It appears that all of the base funding for FY 20 military construction projects in the state that were requested in the President's budget have been funded but we will have to see the report to see the table funding to ensure that information.

The supplemental is still stalled in the Senate over funding levels for Puerto Rico. We are hopeful that Senators Shelby from Alabama and Leahy from Vermont (Chairman and Ranking on Appropriations) will work out a deal to get that moving. Senator Tillis has gotten the support of Senator Inhofe (Senate Armed Services Committee Chairman) and they have asked Mr. McConnell (Majority Leader) to increase the Operations and Maintenance (O&M) money in the supplemental for North Carolina as it is set at \$200 million and asked to move it up to \$381 million. The reason for that amount is that the Marine Corps has said that that is what they can execute in O&M funding. The O&M funding is a one-year obligation period and they can only spend so much of it. So, with the \$400 million that they would program from Pakistan and the \$381 million, that will get them to where they want to be on O&M. Then we will have our MILCON base funding (disaster relief) and within the supplement there is another \$115 million for MILCON. Then we are looking at the Defense appropriation bill for Facility Sustainment Restoration Modernization (FSRM) which is also O&M money. We are hoping for \$507 million but that remains to be seen. The last thing about MILCON that I will touch is the House bill did contain money for unfunded requirements and there is one unfunded requirement that is on the Commandant's list for Cherry Point and that is the Slocum Road project. So, once we see the tables we will see how that additional money is broken out. Then we may want to go back to Mr. James Balocki and see how the Navy intends to divvy out that money which is a little over \$500 million for unfunded requirements. The point of all of that is we are piecing it all together. David Hayden said that what he heard was putting the \$400 million with the \$381 million to make \$781 million in emergency relief funds to help recovery from the hurricane damage. Chad Sydnor said that would be \$781 million for FSRM to augment their FY 19 amounts that have already been appropriated. So, for all intense purposes that is correct. Chad Sydnor said that he \$381 million is what we want to get to in the supplemental and is currently stalled in the Senate and a quarter million has already been moved. But the overall number that we are looking for to augment their FY 19 budget is \$781 million. The FY 20 additional O&M amount that the Navy is looking for is \$507 million. David Hayden asked if they will have to spend the \$781 million in one year and Chad Sydnor said yes. Frank Bottorff said that the \$781 million was what they could spend in one-year. David Hayden said that was a significant increase from what had been reporting. Chad Sydnor said that he had gotten the Senator's office in touch with the right people is the Office of the Secretary of Defense (OSD) because there has been some disconnect between what folks at the local level are saying, what the Navy is saying and then what OSD is reporting. We have been making sure that everyone is talking to each other and getting the number accurate. Frank Bottorff said that one of the confusing parts is that the Marine Corps was \$3.6 billion and now it is 3.4 billion and that is between Camp Lejeune and Cherry Point. I think that \$3.0 is Camp Lejeune and Cherry Point was \$400 million but that does not include FRC East because that is under a Navy Command and budget. So, there has been some confusion as to what the total requirement was at one time. Chad Sydnor said that they are tracking that issue also as to whether it is blue dollars or green dollars. The Depot issue is not unique to

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Cherry Point. One of my last trips that I made for the Senate was to Tinker Air Force Base where there is a massive Depot where they do the bombers and other cargo planes. A lot of those facilities were built in the 1420-1950s and have not been upgraded but we have continued to upgrade the technology. This is a problem but not unique.

I have a list of issues that I am tracking, and I am happy to go through them but subject to your questions. David Hayden asked if they would have this information for the NCMAC members at the Full meeting and Chad Sydnor said yes, he would. Frank Bottorff said that they may want to give a general of what is going on in Washington, DC. Kirk Warner asked what was going on with SJAFB? Chad Sydnor said that their big thing is still the small arms range. Some of their past issues have been with the air traffic control tower and KC 46 MILCON money has been appropriated in past years. The ADAL facility funding is set to be obligated after the cut off date. Kirk Warner asked about Fort Bragg projects. Chad Sydnor said it was the Security Force Assistance Brigade (SFAB). I have been over to the Pentagon and talked to the Army Installation folks and they are trying to figure some things out. They know what a BCT footprint looks like and it is standardized but they are not sure what a SFAB footprint looks like. They are working on this. There are also the road conditions. They are working with NC Department of Transportation (DOT) and they have offered to take over the maintenance of the roads if the Army will pay to get them up to code or NC DOT standards. The NC DOT Board recently went to Fort Bragg to look at this issue. We will have to wait to see if the Army is willing to put up that funding at this time.

Chad Sydnor said that LTG Laura Richardson is still running Forces Command (FORSCOM) but they have a nominee. She is an aviator like James C. McConville who will be the new Chief of Staff. It is very likely that LTG Richardson will get her 4<sup>th</sup> Star. We have a new Commander at Joint Special Operations Center (JSOC). LTG Charles Luckey, the United States Army Reserve Command (USARC) Commander is on his way out and they have not selected his replacement yet. They have moved MG A. C. Roper to USARC and they are also bringing in MG Michael O' Guinn, Medical Services Officer into the Deputy Chief of the Army Reserves (CAR) position. I don't know if MG O'Guinn will get his 3<sup>rd</sup> Star or not. Chad Sydnor said that he saw LTG Luckey at the Commissary the other day and he and his wife are looking for beach property. Kirk Warner said that we need to keep him on our radar and he could be very useful. He is also a licensed attorney in North Carolina. In the private sector they are looking at utilization of office space. You have 1000 employees and build a space for 1000 employees and don't consider the employees that are out each day. Corporate America has decided that they have built facilities to big for their employees. The Army is now interested in studying that and when another BRAC comes around that could be very beneficial. Chad Sydnor said that he was tracking the Lejeune and New River issues. Hoping to get Senator Bosman, MILCON Subcommittee Chairman down on the May 24<sup>th</sup>. Senator Tillis has asked him to come down to North Carolina. That is something on the horizon. Cherry Point and the recovery issues. No further comments or discussion.

### **SUPPORT TO USO: KELLY JACKSON**

Kelly Jackson said that she had received an email from Chairman Martin to reach out to the USO. They were asking questions about NCMAC funding. Kelly Jackson said that she thought that the NCMAC needed to have a group that would review any funding requests that came of any organization or individuals. This group could review the requests to see if it meets the funding criteria and then bring the request to the NCMAC for discussion. She thought that the review team for the Community Grants

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could review any request that came in. Kirk Warner said that for the USO is may be referencing their Reset programs that they have. Frank Bottorff said that there are a lot of great organizations that do wonderful work, but we must follow the bylaws. David Hayden said that you are requested that we have a process to review any requests for Grants from the NCMAC. Frank Bottorff said that maybe it needs to come to the ESG for review. He said that we need to get with Chairman Martin to see what information he has from Kathy Bull, USO before we move forward on this matter. We need to put this on the next ESG agenda for further conversation and talk about what the process should be. Frank Bottorff said that he needed to have 10 minutes on the agenda for the NCMAC meeting for an NCMAC 101 presentation. This will specifically highlight our legislation, and this can be used by any member to give a briefing on the NCMAC.

**AGENDA FOR FULL NCMAC:**

DMVA Update	Secretary Larry Hall (15)	
Committee Updates	Committee Chairpersons (10 each/40)	
Task Force Updates	Task Force Chairpersons (10 each/20))	
NCCC Update	Erin Adams (10)	
Census update	Bob Coats (5)	
DC Update	Chad Sydnor/James McCleskey (15)	ESG
VA DPI Military Liaison	Dan Dunham (15)	QOL Committee
Sentinel Landscape update	Robert Hosford (15)	BS&CA Committee
EDPNC Update	Chris Chung (10)	Economic Development
Strategic Plan	Kirk Warner (10)	ESG
New Member	Chairman Martin (10 for Introductions)	ESG
NCMAC 101	Frank Bottorff (15)	ESG

Kelly Jackson informed the ESG members that Matthew Scott resigned from the NCMAC. He may be appointed by the Governor to another Commission. Frank Bottorff asked that the NCMAC 101 be on the agenda before the break. Frank Bottorff also information Chad Sydnor that he needed to introduction is team to the Commission members and their roles. Also, that we do not lobby with the General Assembly and locally. Kelly Jackson said that the community coordinators have been decided and they are the following. Arnold Gordon-Bray, Fort Bragg; Paul Friday, Camp Lejeune; Frank Bottorff, Cherry Point; Chuck Allen, SJAFB; Stan Walz, Coast Guard; and Gerald Rudisill, JR, National Guard and Reserves. We now need to get the names for the Installation coordinators that are members of the ESG. They will represent Fort Bragg, Camp Lejeune, Cherry Point and SJAFB. Kirk Warner will represent Fort Bragg and Frank Bottorff will represent Cherry Point. The Commission members for the other 2 installations, Camp Lejeune and SJAFB need to determine who their representatives will be. They will be invited to attend/call in to the ESG meeting. Chad Sydnor asked if they wanted him to coordinate any visits during the Association of Defense Communities (ADC) conference? Frank Bottorff said that they would want to see the Senators, etc. Kelly Jackson said the NCMAC members that plan to attend are Arnold Gordon-Bray and Patricia Harris. Frank Bottorff said that the will be a group attending from Goldsboro and Cherry Point. There will be 2-3 NCMAC members, 2 NCMAC members with Cherry Point and 1 NCMAC member from Goldsboro. So, a total of 6 members. Kelly Jackson informed the ESG members that Mayor William Lewis from Havelock has been appointed to the NCMAC Commission and will replace Cresswell Elmore. Frank Bottorff talked to Chad Sydnor about preparing 1-page issue papers on

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those things from each community area and our priorities. David Hayden said that he was meeting with most of those people the week prior. He was going up with a group from the NC Defense Business Association (NC DBA). Frank Bottorff said that one year they met with both Senators at the same time and that was a home run. He said that he and Chad would talk prior to the Conference.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Vice Chairman Bottorff asked for a motion to adjourn. Kirk Warner made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by David Hayden and passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 11:42 am.