

Minutes
Missouri Military Preparedness and Enhancement Commission
Special Meeting
Jefferson City, MO
October 27, 2021 – 10:00 a.m.

The meeting was held via a Zoom call placed by Hannah Hooven, Office of the Missouri Military Advocate Executive Assistant.

MMPEC Members: Steve Ehrhardt, Steve Wallach, Greg Frencken, Royal Turner, Hart Nelson, Sen. Sandy Crawford, Sen. Steven Roberts, Rep. Ashley Aune, Rep. Bill Hardwick

Guests: Paul Eisenstein, Tyler Trusk

WELCOME

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Chairman Ehrhardt.

AGENDA

RESOLVED, the Commission hereby approves the agenda of the October 27, 2021 meeting as submitted.

Steve Wallach made a motion to approve the agenda as presented and Sen. Crawford seconded the motion. The agenda was unanimously approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Tyler Trusk from the Department of Economic Development (DED) reported on FY 2022 Military Community Reinvestment Grant (MCRG) Program applicants. Tyler said that the department received applications from the Sustainable Ozarks Partnership and Whiteman Area Leadership Council. A total of \$130,750 was requested. The Department recommends the total amount for approval by the commission.

Tyler mentioned that a substantial amount of funding is still available for this year's cycle if both applications are approved, so he recommended a couple of options to the commission on how to proceed.

RESOLVED, the Commission hereby approves the applications from the FY 2022 MCRG Program application cycle as submitted.

The motion to approve the applications was made by Hart Nelson and seconded by Steve Wallach. The commission unanimously voted to approve both applications' initial requests and DED will ask both organizations if they would like to increase their funding request.

A couple of programmatic issues were brought up regarding timing of the application cycle as well as the match requirements that may make it difficult for organizations to apply. Chairman Ehrhardt recommended that these issues be discussed further during the fourth quarter meeting in December.

OLD BUSINESS

Chairman Ehrhardt provided a brief update on the search for the next Military Advocate. He reported that the first round of interviews did not produce a viable candidate so they reopened the application process. The search committee will be conducting interviews next week.

ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business on the agenda, the meeting adjourned at 10:31 am.