

McKINNEY ARMED SERVICES MEMORIAL BOARD

JANUARY 8, 2014

The McKinney Armed Services Memorial Board met at the Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Conference Room, 1611 North Stonebridge Drive, McKinney, Texas on Wednesday, January 8, 2014 at 6 p.m.

Board members present: Brad Donovan, Ralph French, James Morrell, Glenn Coleman, George Lodge, and Dick Thompson. Board members absent: Andy Mott. City Staff present: Tim White, Parks Maintenance Superintendent and Shalonda Hill, Administrative Assistant.

Chairman Donovan called the McKinney Armed Services Memorial Board meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. after determining a quorum present.

14-017 Consider/Discuss/Action on McKinney Armed Services Memorial Board Meeting Minutes of November 6, 2013. Board members unanimously approved the motion by Board member Ralph French, seconded by Board member James Morrell, to approve McKinney Armed Services Memorial Board meeting minutes of November 6, 2013.

14-018 Discuss/Review/Critique the 2013 Veterans Day Ceremony

Overall, this year's ceremony was considered one of the best ceremonies yet. A few minor changes were discussed such as choir position, having the flyover come from the west, making a better effort to explain the history and meaning of the helicopter that was present, improving media coverage, and possibly arranging better seating for the elderly and those with special needs.

14-019 Discuss/Review/Critique the 2013 Sundown Ceremony

This year's event was very well attended. The possibility of having a bell ring occur after each name is announced next year was discussed.

14-020 Discuss and Review the 2013 Ceremony Expenses

A list of expenses from the 2013 ceremony and the Board's overall account balance will be discussed at the next MASMB meeting.

14-021 Consider/Discuss/Act on 2014 McKinney Armed Services Memorial Board Meeting Schedule. Board members unanimously approved the

motion by Board member James Morrell, seconded by Board member George Lodge, to approve a schedule for the McKinney Armed Services Memorial Board to meet from April to November in 2014.

14-022 Consider/Discuss/Act on 2014 McKinney Armed Services Memorial Board Events

Several ideas were discussed such as having a Veterans 5K Run and selling memorial bricks. Money could possibly be raised to fund a visitor's kiosk at the Memorial, having a specific Agent Orange memorial at the site, QR Code additions, utilizing a website, and adding an artillery piece to the site. Participation in the fund-raising golf tournament was discussed. The three events for which the MASM Board is responsible for is the Memorial Day Wreath Ceremony, the Veterans Day ceremony, and the Sundown Ceremony.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

No citizen came forward to speak at this time.

BOARD OR COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Ralph French mentioned the need to purchase additional Challenge Coins. James Morrell stated the Board needs to take care of taxes soon.

The next meeting of the McKinney Armed Services Memorial Board will be on Wednesday, April 9, 2014 at 6 p.m. at the Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Conference Room, 1611 North Stonebridge Drive, McKinney, Texas. Board members unanimously approved the motion by Board member James Morrell, seconded by Board member Ralph French, to adjourn. Chairman Donovan adjourned the meeting at 7:20 p.m.

BRAD DONOVAN
Chairman