
MICHIGAN LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS MEMORIAL MONUMENT FUND COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes of September 9, 2010 Meeting No. 47

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting of the Michigan Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Monument Fund Commission was opened by Chair, Kathy Cole at 1:05 p.m. in the OPS Conference Room of the Mason Building.

Members present: Kathy Cole, Lin Emmert, John Szczubelek, Jim Niewiek, Richard Darling, Diane Philpot

DTMB staff present: Kerri Droste, Karen Stone, Dane Hengesbach

1. Approval of Meeting Minutes from July 8, 2010

Chair, Kathy Cole requested a motion to approve the meeting minutes of the July 8, 2010, meeting. Motion made by Jim Niewiek and seconded by Lin Emmert.
MOTION CARRIED.

2. Financial Update

Dane distributed a copy of the Financial Report as of 8-31-10, and reviewed the financial activity for the Commission. The balance is \$73,000 + and the "projected" costs are coming down since it is the end of the fiscal year. Dane stated that they received \$311 from the income tax check off this month.

Kathy will call the Warthogs regarding the "check" issue listed on page 3 of the Financial Report (last item). Kathy also stated that she needs to order one case of MLEOM mugs, which will be a future expenditure for the Commission.

3. Eligibility Criteria

- Lin reviewed the verbiage for inclusion criteria and asked John Szczubelek for his opinion. John agreed that the language is very similar and consistent with the other language he has seen (PSOB). There was some discussion regarding Auxiliary policy officers being included since they are "acting the capacity," but are **not** certified or licensed. Richard Darling stated that for this reason, it is a violation of the current criteria definition, since it reads "are duly sworn, trained and certified, with full law enforcement authority."
- John Szczubelek has been reviewing statutes for "limited authority," and has information from MCOLES. Discussion regarding revising statute to reflect individual groups that are not so "traditional", i.e., security guards, court officers, etc.; what is considered "official capacity", "unlimited capacity" etc. There is much gray area making this task very time consuming.
- John S. will bring in a list of special "categories" that are vested with law enforcement authority to the next Commission meeting and will send the list out electronically *prior* to the next meeting, allowing members time to review it.

4. Follow Up Items

- Lin Emmert updated the projected budget expense numbers and will e-mail to Bruce Edward Walker.
- Diane Philpot did receive the coins from Terry Laurencelle.

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- Although Bruce Edward Walker was unable to attend the September meeting, an update was provided via e-mail that stated he has made significant headway on the rewrite of the proposal.
- Appointments – Kerri is working with the new DTMB legislative liaison, David Newman on a replacement for Jim Salo.
- Tax check off – Richard Darling stated the Commission can reapply but it may be an exercise in futility if more revenue cannot be generated. The request must go back through the legislature.
- Facebook – Kathy stated the MLEOM web page has had many hits and comments. She and Lin are keeping it updated so please send them e-mails containing any new information you want posted. Kathy will also double check to see if the video link is on Facebook, and if you can get to the MLEOM website link from the Facebook page.
- Kathy received a phone call from the Adrian Employees Club (Corrections) asking for 300 license plate holders for their vehicles. She sent them out and received a donation from them.
- Kathy requested money to order some handle bags (to carry the license plate holders in), one box of MLEOM mugs, and a few tee shirts for the upcoming conferences. (Perhaps to use as gifts for drawings, etc.) Motion made by Chair, Kathy Cole to approve up to \$500.00 in expenditures to purchase these items, seconded by Lin Emmert, MOTION CARRIED.
- Kathy Cole also requested permission to attend the MSA fall conference in Grand Rapids scheduled for October, 10, 11 & 12th to host an exhibit booth. She also requested accommodations for one night at the Amway Grand Hotel. Motion to approve request was made by Diane Philpot, and seconded by Jim Niewiek, MOTION CARRIED.

There being no further items for Commission approval, Chair Kathy Cole adjourned meeting at 1:55 p.m.

**Next Meeting: Thursday, October 14th @ 1:00 p.m. in the
Stevens T. Mason Building – OPS Conference Room**