

Montana Defense Alliance Monday, March 7, 2016 Chamber Video Conference Center

COMMITTEE MEMBER PRESENT:

David Weissman Steve Grooms Len Watkins Brad Livingston John Faulkner Dan McLaughlin

COMMITTEE GUEST:

Christie Hagler Mayor Bob Kelly

CHAMBER STAFF:

Tom Alfrey

WELCOME:

Welcome to Mayor Kelly

REVIEW OF MINUTES:

Motion was made and seconded to approve the February 1, 2016 minutes. Motion carries FEDERAL DELEGATION REPORTS:

- A. Ms. Hagler from Congressman Zinke's office reported on the following:
 - a. Congressman visited the Chamber last week
 - b. Briefly reviewed VA & AG Bills
 - c. C130 update

GUARD REPORT:

- A. New Montana Guard Representative will be Col Don Emerson from Helena.
 - a. He will join us for the April meeting.
 - b. He will bring Brigadier General Ireland for a "Guard 101" briefing.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

- A. January Financials Review:
 - a. Actual Four Month budget (ending January 31, 2016), Revenue and Expenses were to the good, \$3,774.
 - b. MTDA Checking has a balance of \$19,085.
 - c. MTDA Money Market is \$40,170.
 - d. MTDA BASE Funds are \$89,409.
- B. County billing has been sent, have some payments, will need to follow-up. Made good contacts a MACo.
- **Motion was made and seconded to approve the January Financials as presented. Motion carries.** BUSINESS:
 - A. News/Follow-up: No report this month
 - B. Trip/Activity Reports:
 - a. See trip reports on line
 - b. David attended the following meetings:

- 1. Nuclear Summit in Washington, D.C.
- 2. ADC in Charleston
- 3. Chief of Staff Meeting in Washington, D.C.

C. Planning

- a. Future Trips:
 - 1. County visits
 - 2. SDC Symposium, June 21-22, 2016 Albuquerque.
 - 3. Chief of Staff Meeting details to follow
 - 4. Continue efforts to arrange meetings with the counties
- b. Update on Action Plans:
 - 1. Malmstrom
 - a. Open House for Col Wilcox will be April 8th
 - b. New Wing Commander is Col Ronald Allen, Jr.
 - c. Change of Command will be held on Tuesday, April 19, 2016 at 11:00 a.m. at Medal of Honor Park
 - 2. MTANG
 - a. Projects are moving forward
- D. Other:
- E. Open Discussion/Follow-ups:
 - a. Arrange follow-up visit with Mayor Kelly
 - b. Continue discussion on a readiness program
 - c. Jr. ROTC Program follow-up: Support Letter to the Tribune

The next MTDA Executive Committee Meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 4, 2016 at 3:00pm in the Chamber Video Conference Center.

Respectfully submitted, Tom Alfrey