



**Montana Defense Alliance**  
**October 3, 2016**  
**Chamber Video Conference Center**

**ALLIANCE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

David Weissman    Steve Grooms    Len Watkins    Joe Briggs  
John Faulkner    Brad Livingston    Todd Neighbor    Greg Doyon

**ALLIANCE GUESTS:**

Senator Jon Tester    Cheryl Ulmer

**CHAMBER STAFF:**

Roxy Perez

**REVIEW OF MINUTES:**

- ☼ **Motion was made and seconded to approve the September 12, 2016 Minutes as presented. Motion carries.**

**FEDERAL DELEGATION UPDATES:**

- ⊙ Legislation was signed preventing RED HORSE from moving.
- ⊙ Continuing Resolution is in place until December 9<sup>th</sup>.
- ⊙ In an election cycle and are in recess until after the election.

**GUARD REPORT:**

- A. Army National Guard.
  - 1. Sent 500 soldiers to Romania for an exercise.
    - a. Last of the Bradleys and Tanks are currently in CONUS.
    - b. Training was a success.
- B. Air National Guard
  - 1. Working to prepare for the Vigilant Guard Exercise, scheduled for 2018.
    - a. This exercise will be held in Great Falls and involve Air and Army Guard Units.
    - b. Next Deployment February 2017 21-22 packs from Aviation units to Kuwait.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

- A. Membership is currently down.
- B. Monies from the General Fund were transferred to the MTDA Checking.
- C. May see monies from Northrup.

- ☼ **Motion was made and seconded to approve the budget as is. Motion carries.**

ACTION ITEM: Chamber Staff to resend invoice to Northrup, Attn.: Tom Cullen via email pending David providing Tom's current email address.

**BUSINESS:**

**TRIP REPORTS:**

- A. AFA Air, Space and Cyber Conference
  - 1. Discussed air space concerns for all different missions for new Air Force Aircraft.
  - 2. It was a good conference.

3. Commander's Group attended a separate meeting.
  4. No discussion on BRAC.
- B. Attended the Task Force 21 Symposium.
1. B-21 Raiders Mission was announced at the symposium.
- C. Need to provide a solution, look for better ways to showcase our Hayes MOA air space.
1. Challenge to obtain drop zone training areas.
- D. Discussed Cyber Team options.

**PLANNING:**

- A. Air Global Strike Command CLP in Albuquerque/Kirtland AFB, October 19-20, 2016
- B. Chief of Staff Air Force CLP, November 1-3, 2016
- C. Will visit the Federal Delegation in December after the election.
- E. Malmstrom Salute to the Community
1. 60 attendees from the community.
  2. Great Opportunity to thank the community for their support.
  3. Possibly changing to a week day.
  4. Announced the Commissioners from other areas.
    - a. That was a hit with the commissioners.
- F. Met with Col Allen
1. Would have like to discuss Priorities on alternative route and affordable housing. However, it did not occur.
  2. Discussion on moving the Malmstrom Museum.
  3. Discussion on professional licenses from state to state.

**OTHER DISCUSSION:**

- A. Program of Work Updates
1. Tabled to discuss at next meeting.

***4:38pm Meeting Moved into Executive Session***

**The next Montana Defense Alliance Executive Committee Meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 7, 2016 in the Chamber Video Conference Center.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Roxy Perez