

**CAPITOL COMPLEX
RESTORATION AND BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION**

Minutes of the Meeting
Friday, August 21, 2020
2:00 P.M. (CT)

Commissioners present in person: Tim Engel, Don Zeller, James Hansen, Jean Rounds, and Chief Justice David Gilbertson.

Commissioners present via phone: Patricia Miller and Sandra Zinter. Commissioner Miller joined the meeting after approval of the minutes.

Commissioners excused: Mayor Steve Harding.

Others Present: Scott Bollinger, Commissioner of Bureau of Administration (BOA); Leah Svendsen, Special Projects Coordinator of BOA; Jessica Filler, General Counsel of BOA; Rick Augusztin, recording secretary; Andy Gerlach, Deputy Commissioner of BOA; Kristine Schlomer, Deputy State Engineer; Craig Price, Secretary of Department of Public Safety; Tony Mangan, Department of Public Safety; Austin Goss, DNN/KOTA/KEVN; and Bob Mercer, Keloland Media Group.

Others present via Phone: Tony Venhuizen, Chief of Staff of the Office of the Governor; and Madeline McElroy, Daughters of the American Revolution.

Call to Order and Roll Call

Chairman Tim Engel called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. Roll was taken. Chairman Engel announced that a quorum was present.

Chairman Tim Engel welcomed Chief Justice David Gilbertson and Jean Rounds as new Commission members.

Conflict of Interest Disclosure

Chairman Engel asked if any Commissioners have any conflicts of interest related to any matter under consideration during the meeting. None were disclosed.

Approval of the Agenda

Commissioner James Hansen moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Chief Justice David Gilbertson. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion carried unanimously, with Commissioner Patricia Miller absent from the vote.

Approval of the Minutes

Commissioner James Hansen moved to approve minutes from the November 8, 2019 meeting, seconded by Commissioner Don Zeller. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion carried unanimously, with Commissioner Patricia Miller absent from the vote.

Commissioner Patricia Miller joined the meeting.

Mansion Perimeter Security Fence

Secretary Craig Price gave an overview of the proposed security fence around the Governor's Mansion. Commissioner Scott Bollinger showed a photo example of the proposed 8-foot-tall black metal fence and described the layout and timeline. Secretary Price and Commissioner Bollinger answered questions related to construction and security.

Chief Justice David Gilbertson moved to approve the installation of the security fence located at the Governor's Mansion as presented. Commissioner James Hansen seconded. A roll call vote was taken. Aye: Commissioners Tim Engel, Don Zeller, James Hansen, Patricia Miller, Sandra Zinter, and Chief Justice David Gilbertson. Nay: Commissioner Jean Rounds. Motion carried.

Capitol Statue Proposal (Informational)

Tony Venhuizen introduced a plan to raise money to purchase and install statues into the niches on the exterior of the Capitol Dome. Tony will come back to the commission when an artistic concept has been created for their approval. No action was taken.

Daughters of the American Revolution Plaque

Madeline McElroy requested approval for a Daughters of the American Revolution plaque in honor of the 250th Anniversary of the United States to be placed on the Capitol grounds near the war memorials by Capitol Lake. The plaque commemorates the men and women who helped achieve American independence. She displayed a photo of an example of the proposed plaque along with a map with several location options for the commissioners to consider. Commissioner Jean Rounds moved to approve the placement of the plaque at location option 2 as shown on the map. Commissioner Hansen seconded. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion carried unanimously.

Buildings and Grounds Project Update (Informational)

BOA Commissioner Scott Bollinger updated the members on Capitol complex projects including the Capitol fence, tuckpoint and soda blast, light poles in Hilger's Gulch, ADA sidewalk improvements, Code Talker Memorial, Civil War and Fighting Stallion

Memorials, electrical boxes in the Rotunda, hardening security at building entrances, and tiles on the WWII Memorial Peninsula. Commissioner Pat Miller, speaking on behalf of the Trail of Governors, updated the group on finishing the statue trail.

With respect to the electrical boxes, it was the consensus of the Commission members present that the oak doors previously approved are not necessary. Chairman Engel said a motion to amend the original approval will be considered at the next meeting of the Commission.

Public Comments

None.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn was made by Chief Justice David Gilbertson and seconded by Commissioner Don Zeller. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion carried unanimously, with Commissioner Patricia Miller absent from the vote. Meeting adjourned at approximately 2:42 p.m.