

Texas Military Preparedness Commission (TMPC)

Quarterly Meeting

Commissioners met by teleconference to ensure careful adherence to the Open Meetings Act. Pursuant to section 418.016 of the Texas Government Code, Governor Abbott has suspended various provisions that require a quorum or a presiding officer to be physically present at a specified meeting location.

May 3, 2021

TMPC MEMBERS/OOG STAFF PRESENT:

Chair Kevin Pottinger
Commissioner Carol Bonds
Commissioner Garry Bradford
Commissioner Darrell Coleman
Commissioner Tom Duncavage
Commissioner Woody Gilliland
Commissioner Kenneth Sheets
Commissioner Shannalea Taylor
Commissioner James Whitmore
Keith Graf, TMPC Executive Director
Alexandra Taylor, TMPC Program Manager

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 9:00 AM. THE MEETING HELD BY TELECONFERENCE DUE TO IMPACT OF COVID-19.

ATTENDANCE

Commissioners Akuna, Lewis, Miranda, and Sobel were excused.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The commissioners approved the Quarterly Meeting minutes of the January 25, 2021 meeting. The motion to approve was made by Commissioner Whitmore, seconded by Commissioner Bradford, and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS BRIEF THE COMMISSION

Brigadier General Monie Ullis, Director of Joint Staff, Texas Military Department, presented updates on innovative partnerships, the swift water rescue training site, and the Texas Adjutant General's standing invite for the Commission to meet at Camp Mabry in the future.

COMMISSIONER UPDATES

Each of the commissioners was asked to provide updates on the installations with Sobel and Sheets being allowed to pass since neither have a home installation. Many gave updates on installation COVID protocols. Encroachment still an issues for many installations. Many are looking for ways to become more resilient.

DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS

Keith provided updates on legislation and session. DEAG currently had \$30 million in the budget and he would keep the commission updated on the final passage later in the spring.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS

The chairman thanks everyone for their time and flexibility during the pandemic.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The commission set their next meeting date to August 2, 2021 at the Bush Combat Development Complex in College Station.

ADJOURN

The chairman adjourned the meeting.

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