

Tennessee Monuments and Memorials Commission

Meeting Minutes

July 31, 2023

On Monday, July 31st, 2023, the Tennessee Monuments and Memorials Commission met in person at the Tennessee Tower in Nashville, TN for its inaugural meeting. Virtual participation was provided via WebEx.

Members present were: Dr. Doug Cupples, Dr. Anthony Hodges, Tiny Jones, Imogene King, Bill Ketron, Jo Ann McClellan, and Sam Miller.

Staff members of the Tennessee Historical Commission present were: Executive Director and State Historic Preservation Officer, Patrick McIntyre; Senior Historic Preservation Attorney, Miranda Christy; Tennessee Heritage Protection Act and Outreach Coordinator, Caty Dirksen; Administrative Secretary, Ashlee Pierce; and Intern, Julia Wolf-Dubin.

- A. **Call to Order:** Executive Director McIntyre called the meeting to order at 1:00 P.M. CDT. He welcomed everyone to the first meeting of the Tennessee Monuments and Memorials Commission and went over the rules regarding public comment. Caty Dirksen called the roll. All appointed members of the Commission were present.
- B. **Determination of Necessity:** Miranda Christy went over the materials in the meeting packet and discussed the Open Meetings Act. Since some members of the Commission were attending virtually, there was a Determination of Necessity. Ms. Christy read the determination. Dr. Hodges motioned to approve the determination and Mr. Ketron seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- C. **Introductions:** All members of the Commission introduced themselves.
- D. **Public Comment:** There were no public comments for the meeting.
- E. **Election of Chair:** Mr. McIntyre asked if there were any nominations for a Chair of the Commission. Mrs. Jones nominated Mr. Ketron. Dr. Hodges seconded. The motion passed, with Mr. Ketron abstaining.
- F. **Resolution, Public Chapter 434:** Ms. Christy explained and read the Resolution regarding Public Chapter 434. Dr. Hodges motioned to approve, Mrs. Jones seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- G. **Announcements / New Business:** Chairman Ketron thanked everyone on the Commission for their support. Dr. Cupples stated that he was looking forward to serving the Commission.
- H. **Adjournment:** Chairman Ketron motioned to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Hodges seconded. The meeting adjourned at 1:14 PM CDT.



E. Patrick McIntyre, Jr.

Executive Director


Dr. Anthony Hodges

Chair Pro-Tem