

Committee on Alabama Monument Protection (CAMP)
Minutes of October 1, 2020
11:00 AM
Online meeting via Webex

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Members present:

Alyce Spruell, *Chair*
Sen. Gerald Allen
Gen. Ed Crowell
Dr. Judson Edwards, *Vice Chair*
Mayor Gary Fuller
Rep. Laura Hall
Dr. Richard Rhone
Sen. Bobby Singleton
Commissioner Randy Vest

Members absent:

Rep. Rich Wingo

Agency staff present:

Mickey Allen, Department of Finance (Real Properties Division)
Jim Entrekin, Legislative Services Agency
Caleb Hindman, Legislative Services Agency
Lisa Jones, Alabama Historical Commission
Steve Murray, Department of Archives & History
Tunisia Thomas, Department of Archives & History

Welcome and call to order: Chairwoman Alyce Spruell called the meeting to order at 11:07 a.m. and welcomed committee members, staff, and guests.

Acknowledgment of authorization for online meeting: Chairwoman Spruell acknowledged that the online board meeting was held in compliance with the Governor's Proclamation of March 18, 2020, and subsequent extensions.

Declaration of quorum and proper advance notice of meeting: Chairwoman Spruell confirmed that a quorum was present and that the board meeting had been announced in advance and in accordance with the Open Meetings Act.

Adoption of agenda: Chairwoman Spruell called for a motion to adopt the agenda. *Commissioner Vest moved that the agenda be adopted. Senator Allen seconded, and the motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.*

Approval of minutes: Chairwoman Spruell called for a motion to approve the minutes of the last board meeting. *Senator Singleton moved that the minutes of the April 14, 2020, board meeting be approved as*

written and distributed prior to today's meeting. Senator Allen seconded, and the motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

Report of FY 2020 Activity: Chairwoman Spruell reviewed a written report of the committee's activity during FY 2020. Representative Hall moved that the report of FY 2020 activity be approved as written and distributed prior to today's meeting. Senator Allen seconded, and the motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

Review of Membership of the Committee: Chairwoman Spruell's term expired on September 30, 2020. She has been reappointed by the governor's office. A vacancy in the Class 1-3 Municipal Official seat has not yet been filled.

Election of Chair and Vice Chair: Chairwoman Spruell opened nominations for chair and vice chair of the committee. Senator Allen nominated Alyce Spruell as chair and Dr. Judson Edwards as vice chair. Representative Hall moved that the nominations be closed. Mayor Fuller seconded, and the motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

The committee voted unanimously to re-elect Alyce Spruell as chair, and Judson Edwards as vice chair.

Review of 2021 Meeting Schedule: Chairwoman Spruell reviewed the meeting scheduled adopted by the committee in January 2020. There were no questions or comments.

Public Comment Period: The committee heard comments from three members of the public.

Adjournment: There being no further business, Chairwoman Spruell called for a motion to adjourn. General Crowell moved that the meeting be adjourned. Senator Allen seconded, and the motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:27 a.m.

Approved by the Committee on April 7, 2021


Alyce Spruell, Chair

Committee on Alabama Monument Protection
FY 2020 Annual Report
October 1, 2020

December 3, 2019

The Committee held its first meeting since September 26, 2017, and elected Alyce Spruell and Judson Edwards as chair and vice chair, respectively. A Subcommittee on Rules was reconstituted and charged with further review of administrative rules drafted previously.

January 23, 2020

The Committee voted to publish in the *Alabama Administrative Monthly* the set of administrative rules presented by the Subcommittee on Rules. The Committee also considered and adopted a schedule for meetings and waiver application deadlines for the remainder of FY20 and all of FY21.

February 28, 2020

[Proposed administrative rules](#) were published in the Alabama Administrative Monthly with a deadline of April 7 for public comment.

April 7, 2020

The Committee received written and oral comments on the administrative rules from the public. It voted to refer the comments to the Subcommittee on Rules for further consideration.

April 14, 2020

The Subcommittee on Rules reported that it had examined the public comments in conjunction with feedback from the Department of Archives and History, the Historical Commission, and the Legislative Services Agency. The Subcommittee recommended the adoption of revised rules based on public and agency feedback. The Committee accepted the recommended changes and voted adoption of the rules.

April 30, 2020

The [Certification of Adopted Rules](#) appeared in the Alabama Administrative Monthly, notifying the public that the rules would become effective on June 14.

May 5, 2020

The Committee launched its website, www.camp.alabama.gov, containing the statute, administrative rules, waiver application process, meeting schedule, and minutes of previous meetings.

June 14, 2020

The Committee's [administrative rules](#) became effective.

July 6, 2020

The Committee received a request from the Madison County Commission for a waiver to relocate the Confederate monument located on the county courthouse grounds. Because the monument has been in place for more than forty years, the Committee notified the Madison County Commission that the Committee is not authorized to consider a request from the county.

Throughout the summer of 2020, the Committee field numerous inquiries from local governments and the media regarding the Committee's authority and procedures.