



City of Columbia, Missouri

Meeting Minutes

Mayor's Task Force on the U.S.S. Columbia

Tuesday, May 20, 2025

3:00 PM

Regular

Walton Building
Board Room
300 S. Providence Rd.
Columbia, MO

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Moore called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

Ex-officio members present: Keith Glindemann, Chief Brian Schaeffer

Staff present: Sarah Dresser

Present: 8 - Anne Moore, Anne Clark, John Clark, Robert Ross, Becky Wischmeyer, Marty Walker, Chris Kelly and Walter Lantzy

Excused: 1 - Peter Koukola

II. INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Moore introduced the new ex-officio member, Fire Chief Brian Schaeffer. Moore stated that a resolution was adopted by City Council at its November 18, 2024 meeting to add the City's fire chief as an ex-officio member of the Mayor's Task Force on the U.S.S. Columbia. Schaeffer gave remarks to the group on his background and current work with the City.

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda made by Walker, seconded by Wischmeyer; motion carried.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve the minutes from the Oct. 22, 2024 meeting made by Kelly, seconded by John Clark; motion carried.

Minutes from Oct. 22, 2024

Attachments: [10.22.24 Draft Minutes](#)

V. OLD BUSINESS

New Member to the Task Force

New member Chief Schaeffer mentioned that the previous fire apparatus which had the U.S.S. Columbia plaque affixed to it has gone out of service and a new apparatus is available. He brought the plaque to show the group and stated he would be open to a ceremony once it is installed. The group agreed that during an upcoming crew visit would be an appropriate time.

Christmas Cards

Moore asked if Christmas cards had been sent by anyone. Wischmeyer had a bundle that has yet to go out that will be mailed, and Moore stated that the crew who has been

deployed since before Christmas will get them when they return soon.

Review of 2024 Crew Visit

Moore gave an overview of the 2024 crew visit, which was reviewed at the previous meeting.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

30th Anniversary of Commissioning

Possible Dates

Moore stated that the 30th anniversary of the commissioning is coming up - as it was commissioned on Oct. 9, 1995. The crew has expressed interest in visiting Columbia to honor this milestone, and the group is looking at dates for this fall. Ideally, their visit would fall during an MU home football game. Proposed dates were Sept. 20 (playing against Columbia, SC, which is another namesake City), Oct. 11 (playing against Alabama), and Nov. 8 (playing against Texas A&M and it will also be the annual military game). Moore asked if there were any other known conflicts with events happening this fall. Dresser stated that there is a Chamber leadership visit that will occur Sept. 30 - Oct. 2, and typically many City and University leaders attend that and will be out of town.

Moore stated that she would try to be in contact with the crew once they return from deployment to start planning. Navy funding will play a factor, as their fiscal year begins on Oct. 1.

Mayor's Reception with Chamber of Commerce

Once a date has been determined, more planning can start on a Mayor's reception for the visit.

VII. REPORTS

Submarine Updates

Moore stated that the boat has been deployed since before Christmas and will likely return in the coming weeks around Memorial Day. She has emailed, but often messages are hard to go through or get a response while they are deployed. Moore hopes to be in contact soon once they return to Pearl Harbor and planning can begin on the visit and secure a date.

VIII. GENERAL COMMENTS BY PUBLIC, MEMBERS AND STAFF

A question was raised about involvement with the Jefferson City submariner group. Moore stated that there is a U.S.S. Jefferson City, and that is the purpose of that group. During the upcoming visit, it was proposed that getting down to the Capitol would be part of the agenda and a meeting with the Governor would plan to be arranged.

IX. NEXT MEETING DATE

Staff will look at availability of June dates.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 3:26 p.m. made by John Clark, seconded by Lantzy; motion carried.