



Board of County Commissioners Agenda Request

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Agenda Item #

Requested Meeting Date: May 23, 2017

Title of Item: Request to Restore Bronze Veterans Marker

<input type="checkbox"/> REGULAR AGENDA	Action Requested:	<input type="checkbox"/> Direction Requested
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CONSENT AGENDA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approve/Deny Motion	<input type="checkbox"/> Discussion Item
<input type="checkbox"/> INFORMATION ONLY	<input type="checkbox"/> Adopt Resolution (attach draft)	<input type="checkbox"/> Hold Public Hearing* <i>*provide copy of hearing notice that was published</i>

Submitted by: Sue Bingham	Department: Administration
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Presenter (Name and Title):	Estimated Time Needed:
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Summary of Issue:
Please see the attached request and accompanying photos from Faye Leach, Daughters of the American Revolution.

There is no cost to Aitkin County, but because the marker is located on Aitkin County property, written permission is required.

Alternatives, Options, Effects on Others/Comments:

Recommended Action/Motion:
Approve the request for the Daughters of the American Revolution to restore the bronze marker as presented, and authorize the Board Chair's signature on the letter to Faye Leach, giving the written permission they are seeking.

Financial Impact:
Is there a cost associated with this request? Yes No
What is the total cost, with tax and shipping? \$
Is this budgeted? Yes No *Please Explain:*

Sue Bingham

From: Faye Leach [fayelea@charter.net]
Sent: Monday, May 15, 2017 1:57 PM
To: sue.bingham@co.aitkin.mn.us
Subject: DAR marker on courthouse lawn
Attachments: AitkinMN08312013 002 - A.jpg; AitkinMN08312013 003 - Abk.jpg

Good Afternoon, Sue:

Thank you so much for the pleasant conversation regarding one of the markers honoring veterans on the lawn of the Aitkin County Courthouse. I am attaching photos of the marker. Hopefully they will print well and your Board will understand and grant this request.

The Northland Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution placed this marker in 1936. The Northland Chapter disbanded many years ago, but we have chapters throughout the state and we are interested in restoring this marker to its original condition and brilliance. We need your permission in writing to do so.

It would require removal of the bronze from the boulder, restoration and replacement. It would be removed, restored and replaced by a professional monument company. With your approval, this could happen sometime this summer.

In another email, I will send before and after restoration photos of a bronze marker.

The Daughters of the American Revolution is a non-profit, non-political women's organization dedicated to historic preservation, education and patriotism. Please let me know if you need more information.

Thank you so much.

Faye Leach
State Vice Regent
Minnesota State Society
Daughters of the American Revolution
218-851-0499



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IN MEMORY OF
THOSE AITKIN COUNTY
SOLDIERS
WHO LOST THEIR
LIVES IN THE
WORLD WAR

ERECTED BY
NORVELAND CHAPTER I. O. O.
1955

Example of a
"Before"
Restoration



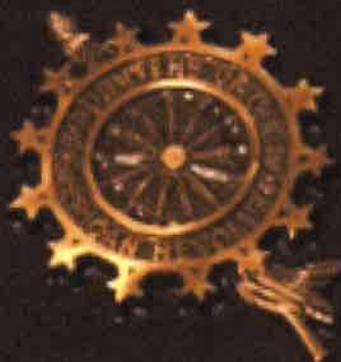
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AITKIN COUNTY ADMINISTRATION

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May 24, 2017

Faye Leach
Daughters of the American Revolution
22309 E. Lake Hubert Drive
Brainerd, MN 56401

Dear Ms. Leach:

On May 23, 2017 the Aitkin County Board reviewed your request to remove the bronze 1936 marker honoring Aitkin County veterans from the boulder located on the corner of the courthouse lawn, restore, and replace it.

The marker reads in part, "In Memory of Those Aitkin County Soldiers Who Lost Their Lives in the World War."

Your request has been approved.

Sincerely,

J. Mark Wedel, Chair
Aitkin County Board of Commissioners

cc: Board Correspondence File