

Took place on the same day, and proceeded from ignorance of the laws. The Board on consideration of which circumstances and from the Recommendation of the Court of the said County do remit the said fines.

John Davidson, James Thomas, Jonathan O. Wilmer, Arthur Shaaff
John Johnson

Tuesday June the 26. 1798

The Council met. Present His Excellency the Governor and the honble John Davidson, James Thomas, Arthur Shaaff and John Johnson.

Ordered, that all persons of the City of Annapolis who have arms in their possession belonging to the State of Maryland deliver the same with their accoutrements to Mr. Sull Fowler who is authorized to receive them. The persons who have those arms are requested to put their Names on them, that they may be thereby distinguished and returned to those who are anxious to obtain them.

The Governor submits to the Council the following subjects and requests their answer in writing.

Will the Council take farther measures, and if so of what kind to receive the arms due to the State from the United States.

Will they take other measures, than a simple renewal of the application heretofore made to the officers for the completion of our Quota of the Eighty Thousand Men, and if so, of what kind and to whom directed.

Will the Council advise a reparation of the arms that shall be collected under orders lately issued by the Commander in Chief and also of those now in the possession of the State which upon examination shall be found defective.

In consequence whereof they resolve that General Carbury be dispatched to the different parts of this State to effect a complete Return of the Militia, and also of the Drafts under the late call of the President of the United States so as to have them in readiness to march at a moments warning, and that two hundred Dollars be advanced to him for that purpose.

I am of opinion that the Executive ought to make a further application to the Secretary at War, to know what orders he has taken to do justice to the State of Maryland for the loss of arms on the Western Expedition agreeably to the Presidents Instructions to him.

My opinion is that at present nothing more should be done.