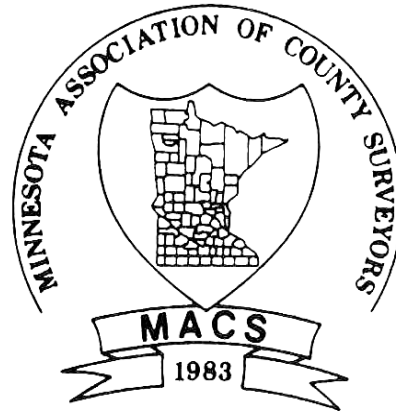


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MINUTES OF MEETING

Minnesota Association of County Surveyors

December 8th, 2015

MACS Meeting at AMC Conference.

Robin Mathews called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM

In attendance: Steve Jobe, Russ Heiling, Pat Veraguth, Jim Hentges, Mike Fangman, Tim Eklund, Scott Marlin, Mike Welling, Paul Gibson, Bill Brown, Tim Wotzka, Nick Stewart, Michelle Thompson, Todd Hendershott, Jim Kordiak-Anoka County Commissioner, Dick Walter, Robin Mathews, Luke Kranz, Lisa Hanni.

Approval of Minutes: September 3rd, 2015. Motion Bill Brown, Second Mike Welling. Approved.

Membership Report: 38 Voting members and 7 Affiliate members.

Treasurer's Report: \$17,582.95 in treasury.

Commissioner Kordiak addressed group with questions regarding moving section corners, how to fix descriptions and property lines in areas that have issues. Discussion regarding possible solutions ensued.

Legislative Committee Report: Mike Welling reported he received an email in regards to mylar requirements for subdivision plats from a County Engineer. Mike provided a response to Washington County Engineer.

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Long Range Planning Committee: Dick Walter reported that he will be retiring in September and is working on a plan for moving the County Surveyors Office forward after his retirement. There was lots of discussion on the role of the County Surveyors Office and what surveyors can do for preservation of section corners. Dick also volunteered to work at the MACS booth during the AMC conference in future years also.

Steve Jobe recommended a blurb on the MACS website for anyone with survey notes to contact MACS to look at and possibly preserve them.

Historical Display: Robin Mathews reported that the display has moved from Itasca County to the Detroit Lakes. Looking for another location after Detroit Lakes.

MACS Logo Roll up display / banner: Robin Mathews initiated discussion on getting a Roll up/banner for MACS to display at AMC booth and seminars etc. Pat Veraguth volunteered to check into prices. Bill Brown volunteered to create a high resolution MACS logo for the banner.

MnDOT Survey Technical Workshop: Steve Jobe reported the workshop will be from March 15th thru the 17th this year. The committee for the workshop is looking for a land corner research presentation for the workshop. Steve said that MnDOT would like MACS to present on this topic. Robin Mathews offered to help gather materials and give presentation. Bill Brown also volunteered to present and help. Mike Welling suggested looking beyond just the section corner to adjoining property corners and lands for addition evidence.

MACS Seminar recap: Jim Hentges provided financial information on the seminar. There were 115 attendees including 61 Licensed, 7 Technical and 47 students/instructors representing Dunwoody, St. Cloud Technical and Community College, St. Cloud State University and North Dakota State College of Science. Students and instructors attended for free. Seminar took in \$6,450.00 and expenses were \$3,097.86.

Robin Mathews reported that MSPS also coordinated a meeting/get together for the Young Professionals group after the seminar which was well received. Robin suggested sending out an evaluation form for the seminar and Steve Jobe suggested handing them out at the seminar. Tim Eklund suggested that the presenters put their presentations on the MACS website before the seminar.

The group suggested checking on the Wednesday before MEA break in October for next years seminar.

MS 505.021 Subd. 7 Easements "Public Ways": Robin Mathews brought up the situation of cul-de-sacs and how to extend for future access to adjoining property. There was discussion on public ways and how to dedicate for future access.

Wisconsin Surveyor's Institute: Robin provided information on the Wisconsin Surveyor's conference. Mike Welling and Robin have attended in the past and felt they were good seminars.

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State Board Update: Robin Mathews passed out information. (See handout) Robin discussed exam results and moving towards computer based testing. Lisa Hanni also mentioned looking at more than twice a year for testing.

Robin talked about the Future Cities competition at Dunwoody for Sim City on January 23rd.

Robin reported that David Landecker's term on the State Board will be ending in 2016.

Robin passed out a complaint issue that has been finalized. There was discussion about practicing without a license. Also discussion on the role of the County Surveyors Office and what we provide and the repercussions of that.

Future of Surveying Task Force: There is a group working on education in schools etc. (See handout).

AMC Door Prizes: Robin reported that Dick Walter put together some packages with a MACS mug and Spring Grove pop and provided for AMC door prizes.

Other: Tim Wotzka thanked the group for the help and assistance that MACS group has provided to him over the years. Tim is retiring this year.

Paul Gibson initiated discussion on Official Maps and how others have done them. Discussion on official maps ensued. Some have done them and some have not.

Steve Jobe said the workshop on Wednesday at the MSPS annual meeting included 2 hours of Ethics education.

Luke Kranz reported that John Freemyer was retiring in December and that he has been appointed County Surveyor/County Recorder going forward.

Next meeting is scheduled for February @ the MSPS Annual Meeting.

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn by Tim Wotzka. Second by Bill Brown.