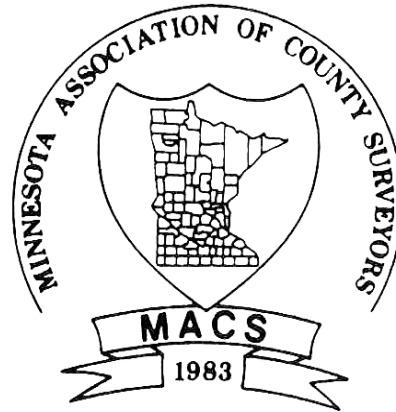


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MINUTES OF MEETING

Minnesota Association of County Surveyors

February 12th 2015

MACS Meeting at MSPS Annual Meeting. Mystic Lake Hotel

Steve Jobe called the meeting order at 8:05 AM

Introductions of attendees.

In attendance: Steve Jobe, Lisa Hanni, Russ Heiling, Pat Veraguth, Jim Hentges, Dick Walter, Mike Fangman, Robin Mathews, Scott Marlin, Larry Hoium, Chuck Gitzen, Mike Welling, Ed Kuisle, Gary Hopko, Tom Bushey, Chris Mavis, Bill Brown, Bob Kovanen, Roger Brand, Luke Kranz, John Freemyer.

Steve Jobe recognized individuals for their work this year with Certificates of Appreciation from MACS.

Steve Jobe turned meeting over to President Elect Robin Mathews.

President Mathews moved Elections to first item on the agenda.

Election of President Elect: Lisa Hanni nominated Mike Fangman for position. Second by Roger Brand. Approved unanimously.

Election of Director: Chris Mavis nominated Tim Eklund for position. Second by Steve Jobe. Approved unanimously.

Election of Secretary/Treasurer: Robin Mathews nominated Jim Hentges for position. Second by Mike Welling. Approved unanimously.

Approval of Minutes: December 9th 2014. Motion Bill Brown, Second Lisa Hanni. Approved.

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Membership Report: 35 Voting members and 7 Affiliate members. Also noted that there are 23 Life members in MACS.

Treasurer's Report: \$13,679.69 in treasury. There is \$1,500.00 designated for Lobbyist efforts with legislative work going on.

Legislative Report: No update.

Long Range Planning Committee: Dick Walter provided a list of Life Members in MACS for the group. Request to have Dan Baar put this information on the website.

Minnesota Statutes Update: Mike Welling and Lisa Hanni met with Jim Carlson @ the Legislature to provide information regarding revisions. They are working on getting authors to carry legislation lined up. We should have file numbers soon. Jim Hentges to send file numbers to members when available.

MnDOT Survey Technical Workshop: MACS meeting @ workshop should be scheduled for Wednesday March 18th to accommodate the MACS presenters that day. Jim Hentges will try to schedule MACS meeting for 4:30 PM on Wednesday the 18th.

MACS Contact List: Robin updated the group on work compiling a current list of County Surveyors. There was discussion on the number of appointed versus elected County Surveyors. Very few elected positions still exist.

MACS Website: Please send any items you have for the website to Dan Baar.

State board update: Lisa Hanni updated group on issues regarding state specific testing and how to provide state exams without having to go to each state. Also there is discussion on taking the fundamentals and professional exams right after education is completed and getting experience after. There was discussion on the future of surveying and how to promote surveying from a different angle and promoting an image that is more than just a person standing behind an instrument. Bill Brown added that image is important and how you act and how you handle yourself professionally is important. There was discussion on methods of reaching out and promoting surveying.

Other Items: John Freemyer initiated discussion on benchmark locations and how others are handling locating benchmarks they set. Are they on public or private property and do you get an easement for access etc. to these monuments. Gary Hopko said that Dixon Hoyle, past NGS advisor recommended putting benchmarks on public land or in the right of way. Larry Hoiium said Anoka County has some benchmarks on private property and they just have a verbal agreement with the land owner for access etc. Consensus of the group was to try to keep these on public land.

Mike Welling talked about conservation easements described using coordinates and provided an example they recently received. Discussion on easements and does that fall under definition of land surveying.

Next meeting: MnDOT Survey Technical Conference, Craguns.

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn by Mike Welling. Second by Pat Veraguth.

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