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## MINUTES OF MEETING

Minnesota Association of County Surveyors

February 9th, 2017

MACS Meeting at MSPS Annual Meeting in Duluth.

Mike Fangman called the meeting to order at 8:04 AM

Approval of Minutes: December 6th, 2016. Motion- Robin Mathews. Second- Chris Mavis. Approved.

**Membership Report:** 39 Voting members and 8 Affiliate members.

**Treasurer's Report:** \$17,699.07 in treasury.

**Legislative Committee Report:** Julie Groetsch discussed HF 46 regarding changes to certain items regarding real estate. Mike Fangman asked about bill from last year regarding parcel splits.

**Long Range Planning Committee:** Mike Fangman suggested that the past president take the lead in organizing events.

**Future Cities competition at Dunwoody:** Mike Fangman updated group on this year's competition. Rick Morey and Peter Jenkins also added comments. Consensus was that the students could be educated and mentored about what surveyors do. Discussion on ways to educate students. Robin Mathews noted that MACS was a sponsor of the event. Robin suggested that MACS continue to mentor, sponsor and run booth at next year's competition.

**Use of State Statute 160.085 for disposal of land/right of way:** Pete Jenkins updated group on process being used at MnDOT. Pete discussed the option of creating conveyance/disposal plat. Long discussion on options to do this.

**MACS goals for 2017:** Mike Fangman talked about goals for MACS. Tim Eklund suggested developing goals for the association. Possible goals:

- Continued participation in Future Cities competition through sponsorship, judging and mentorship.
- Fall Seminar. Ways to improve seminar
- NACS involvement. Discussion on benefits of involvement in NACS.
- Counties without County Surveyors. Discussion on counties without county surveyors and how to address the issue. Duane Bonnema provided perspective from counties he works in. Robin suggested a presentation @ AMC conference each year. Pat Veraguth talked about going to the County Engineers conference. Jay Krafthefer discussed the local research board that engineers are involved in as part of establishing county surveyors in counties.

**Opportunities for LSIT's:** Chris Mavis initiated discussion about opportunities for LSIT's to get experience in areas needed for licensure. Chris and Preston Dowell discussed swapping LSIT's between counties to get that experience. Rick Morey also suggested that MnDOT could be a participant also. Consensus was for everyone to go back and see what was possible within their organizations.

**State Board update:** Robin Mathews updated the group. Robin asked if anyone was interested in helping out at the Minnesota L.S. exam workshop on May 9<sup>th</sup>. It is an opportunity to evaluate past questions and propose new questions for the exam.

**Elections:**

**President – Elect:** Robin Mathews nominated Tim Eklund. Second by Chris Mavis. Unanimously approved.

**Director:** Robin Mathews nominated Nick Stewart. Second by Pat Veraguth. Unanimously approved.

**Secretary/Treasurer:** Tim Eklund nominated Jim Hentges. Second by Mike Fangman. Unanimously approved.

**Other:** Roger Brand was approved for Life Membership.

**Next meeting:** Meeting on March 15<sup>th</sup> @ MnDOT Survey Technical Workshop.

**Adjourn:** Robin Mathews motion to adjourn meeting. Chris Mavis second.

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