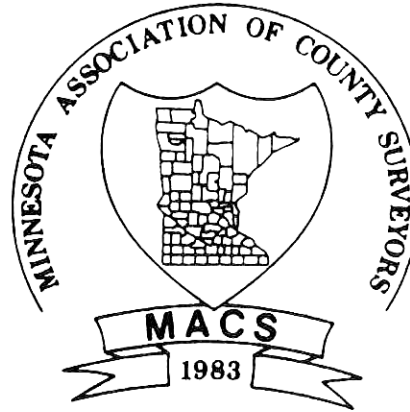


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MINUTES OF MEETING

Minnesota Association of County Surveyors

February 16th, 2012

MACS Meeting @ MSPS Annual Meeting.

Lisa Hanni called the meeting to order at 8:35 A.M .

In Attendance: Robin Mathews, Steve Jobe, Mike Welling, Jim Hentges, Rick Morey, Lisa Hanni, Bob Kovanen, Bill Brown, Dick Walter, Sam Gibson, Todd Tollefson, John Freemyer, Gary Hopko, Denny Kron, Terry Johnson, Russ Heiling, Roger Brand, Gary Stevenson, David Landecker, Jay Krafthefer, Pat Veraguth, Ed Kuisle, Wayne Hensche.

Approval of Minutes: December 5th 2011, Motion Steve Jobe. Second by Dick Walter. Approved.

Membership report: 36 voting members, 7 affiliate members

Treasurer's report: \$22,598.15 in treasury of which \$5000 is obligated to the GLO notes scanning project.

Legislative report: Lisa Hanni informed group about silica sand mining happening in Goodhue County and was wondering if others were seeing mining activities in their area.

Long Range Planning Committe: Dick Walter updated group on Life members. Terry Johnson is retiring this year and will be an eligible member. Dick also noted that he is presenting at the MnDOT Survey Technical Conference on the work that was done on the Minnesota – Iowa border. Lisa Hanni discussed results from the Corner Certificate survey she initiated. Lisa and Robin Mathews will also be presenting at the MnDOT Survey Technical Conference on these survey results. Terry Johnson asked if there is anyone who would be interested in serving on the MnDOT Survey Technical Workshop committee. He is currently on the committee and looking for a replacement for next year since he is retiring. Lisa Hanni discussed MACS putting on another seminar in the fall and for the group to think about possible topics. There was discussion on location for a seminar and most thought that St. Cloud has been a good location in the past and that it would be a good place to continue using.

Survey Institutionas Donations: Lisa Hanni discussed meeting with some of the schools and how MACS could donate and support the schools programs for Land Surveying. MACS has about \$18,500.00 that has been received from seminars. St. Cloud State University (SCSU) has sent infromtation to Robin Mathews on the process for donating to SCSU. Robin said that MACS can dictate how the money is spent at the school. MACS has asked for a list of items needed by the school. MACS can decide how much they would like to donate each year to the program. Robin will follow up with SCSU and get the list from them. Robin prepared a draft bylaws change for MACS to be able to contribute to school programs.

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MACS Bylaws potential revision for the 2012 Annual meeting

Article V 3 a – Fiscal Management

All dues (Article II 2) paid by each class member shall be used for the operations of MACS. Funds designated for the operations of MACS shall be determined as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors.

Non-dues funds generated by MACS may be designated for purposes other than the operations of MACS. Said non-dues funds may be designated and dispersed as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors.

Gary Stevenson made motion to approve the bylaws amendment change as drafted. Steve Jobe seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

State Board update: Lisa updated the group with some statistics on National and State Surveying exams and the passing rates. Lisa reported on the ethics credits for licensure renewal. You will need 2 ethics credits for renewal. Ethics credits can not be carried over. There was also discussion on the definition of surveying and making some minor changes and moving forward. Lisa suggested putting a draft together and sending out for comment.

State-wide DEM: Lisa Hanni reported that Goodhue County and several other counties were flown in the fall of 2011 and that delivery of the data was expected in June of 2012. Steve Jobe commented that Tim Loesch is presenting at the MSPS annual meeting on the project. Steve Jobe has also been going to the committee meetings.

Government Notes Scanning project: Robin Mathews distributed an email regarding the project and noted that there will be a presentation at the MSPS annual meeting on the project. There was discussion on how to distribute the notes and that the process for the Government plats worked well with copies by district being distributed to the County Recorders groups.

Election of Officers:

For position of President-Elect. Dick Walter nominated David Landecker. Second by Robin Mathews. Approved.

For position of Director. Robin Mathews nominated Bill Brown. Second by Denny Kron. Approved.

For position of Secretary/Treasurer. Lisa Hanni nominated Jim Hentges. Second by Dick Walter. Approved.

Lisa Hanni turned the gavel over to Robin Mathews.

Other: Mike Welling informed the group that Washington county has purchased new GPS equipment and aerial photography utilizing the Technology Funds from the County Recorders Office.

Mike also initiated discussion on White Bear Lake and the issues they are having with the lake water levels having gone down significantly. There was lots of discussion on possible solutions including shared riparian rights and boundary commission plats to help resolve the issues.

Mike also talked about the Stillwater Bridge project that has been in the news lately. Mike passed around very interesting historical photos of the area. Lisa Hanni suggested this might be a good topic for the MnDOT Survey Technical Workshop next year.

Robin Mathews is looking for some 1930 era WPA documents between Burnett County Wisconsin and Pine County Minnesota and was interested in any information or sources that the group was aware of where these documents could be found. Possible sources included USGS in Missouri who worked with the CCC and WPA groups during that time period.

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Dick Walter asked about the new adjustments that are coming out and who is using what. Most are staying with the 1996 HARN adjustment for their work.

Rick Morey discussed a bill to reduce paid time off.

Terry Johnson of Chisago County reported that he is retiring on April 30th. Congratulations Terry and thanks for your support of MACS.

Next Meeting: MnDOT Survey Technical Workshop in March @ Breezy Point.

Motion to adjourn by Lisa Hanni. Second by Bill Brown. Meeting adjourned @ 10:12 AM