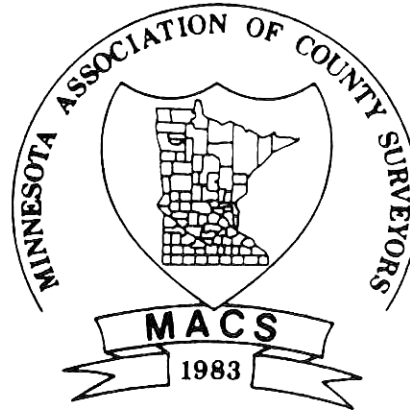


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MINUTES OF MEETING

Minnesota Association of County Surveyors

July 26th, 2012

MACS Meeting @ Little Log House Pioneer Village Land Office.

Robin Mathews called the meeting to order at 10:02 A.M .

In Attendance: Robin Mathews, Steve Jobe, Jim Hentges, Lisa Hanni, Russ Heiling, Mike Welling, Tammy Mauss, David Claypool, Pat Veraguth, Larry Hoium, Dan Baar, Craig Hinzman, Joel Thoreson.

Approval of Minutes: May 21st, 2012, Motion Mike Welling. Second by Lisa Hanni. Approved.

Membership report: 36 Voting members, 6 Affiliate members

Treasurer's report: \$15,848.90 in treasury of which \$5000 is obligated to the GLO notes scanning project.

Legislative report: Lisa Hanni updated group on work involving new definition of surveying. Lisa provided handout on history of definition changes. Discussion of group to try to keep definition close to the old definition. Lisa Hanni and Dave Landecker will continue to work on definition and put together a draft to send out.

MACS Seminar October 24th 2012: Fall Seminar discussion. Date of seminar is October 24th @ St. Cloud. Topics include:

GLO notes – David Claypool/ John Hoshal 1 hour
Stillwater Bridge – Mike Welling 1-1.5 hour
Lidar Project – Tim Loesch 1 hour
GLO Feature Calls – Jordan Ketola 2 hour
Section Corners – Robin Mathews/Lisa Hanni 1 hour

Discussion on lunch menu for seminar. Decided on 2 choices Burgundy Beef Tips and Lasagna. If 2 choices are not available then go with Burgundy Beef Tips

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BLM PLSS Section Corner Database : Jim Hentges discussed with group a request from the BLM through Rick Morey at MnDOT for contact information, potential information sources on section corners and who would be willing to share this information. There was discussion on what has happened in the western states and on who is the authoritative source for the data. Lisa Hanni suggested sending out a survey monkey to gather the data, source and contact information. Dave Claypool offered to look for information has worked on with the western states. Dave Claypool will send information on definitions to Robin Mathews.

MACS President Elect position: Due to the resignation of David Landecker, who has moved back to private business, MACS is looking to fill the President Elect position. Lisa Hanni nominated Dan Baar. Nomination was seconded by Craig Hinzman. Approved. Thanks to Dan for being willing to step in and take on the position.

MACS Mugs: Lisa Hanni has ordered 100 mugs. Mugs will be given to presenters at the MACS Fall Seminar and to members. Additional mugs can be purchased also.

Life Member update: Tammy Mauss updated group on the Life Members project. Terry Johnson, Ted Kemna and Gary Stevenson were identified as being eligible. Steve Jobe made motion to approve Life Membership for these people pending confirmation of retirement. Second by Mike Welling. Approved.

County Recorder Compliance Fund: There was discussion on the use of these funds for aerial photography acquisition and who has used the fund for this purpose. Tim Wotzka requested this information. There were 5 counties who have used these funds for that purpose. Lisa Hanni volunteered to put together a survey monkey for gathering information on the use of these funds for aerial acquisition.

State Board update: Lisa Hanni updated the group on computer based testing for the Survey Fundamentals part of the State Exam. The Board is also working on the definition of surveying.

Robin Mathews discussed the opportunity to take the state tests and that it was a good excersize. Robin said that you could also get PDH credits for taking the exam.

State-wide DEM: No update

Government Notes Scanning project: Project is completed.

County Surveyor Plat Language: No update.

Other: Steve Jobe initiated discussion on 2nd Order Leveling and if any other counties were doing this. MnDOT was going to do a project. Ramsey County is doing some leveling work and Anoka County did some leveling work in the 1990's.

Mike Welling attended the ESRI Survey Summit. Mike thought the survey portion was more appropriate for technician level rather than Land Surveyors. Mike also said the GIS portion was very impressive and that it would be very worthwhile for GIS staff to attend.

Mike Welling suggested sending Minnesota students to ACSM student competition.

Lisa Hanni suggested putting on a survey session at the Minnesota State GIS/LIS conference for surveying education. Lisa will talk to the State GIS/LIS folks.

Next meeting: Steve Jobe offered to host September meeting @ Wright County on September 13th.

Adjourn: Steve Jobe made motion to adjourn meeting. Dan Baar second. Adjourned.

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