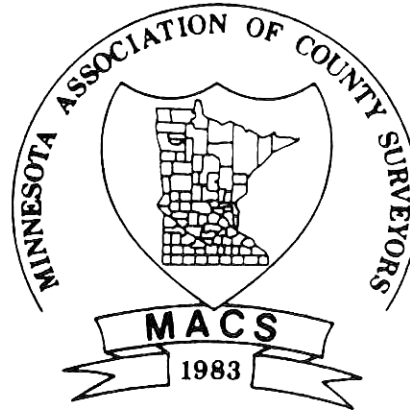


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MINUTES OF MEETING

Minnesota Association of County Surveyors

May 26th, 2011

MACS Meeting @ Stearns County Highway Department Building, St. Cloud, MN.

Lisa Hanni called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM

In Attendance: Robin Mathews, Dick Walter, Bob Kovanen, Mike Fiebiger, Steve Jobe, Tim Wotzka, Mike Welling, Denny Kron, Jim Hentges, Rick Morey, Lisa Hanni, Larry Hoium, Pat Veraguth, David Landecker, Terry Johnson, Scott Marlin, Dan Baar, Russ Heiling, Bill Brown, Craig Hinzman.

Membership report: 32 voting members, 6 affiliate members

Treasurer's report: \$21,923.71 in treasury of which \$5000 is obligated to the GLO notes scanning project.

Legislative report: CIC legislation – There were some minor things done, but most items have been put on a list for a major overhaul. Mike Fiebiger reported that he forwarded Mike Winfield's name to the Bar Association as the future contact for MACS. Thanks to Mike Fiebiger for all his work on these issues, and thanks to Mike Winfield for continuing the work.

Long Range Planning Committee: Dick Walter updated the group on Life Memberships to MACS. Dick has put together a list of possibilities. Dick Walter, Bill Brown and Jim Hentges to check records and work on list to verify eligibility. Need to update MACS Dues form to show Life Members category.

Dick Walter also updated group on state line monuments, the kiosk at Captain Lee's Monument, and passed around pictures taken at the site.

Highway Boundary Marking: Steve Jobe passed out copies of MN Statute 160.14 for discussion. There was much discussion on difference between Statute 160.14 and 160.085. Also discussion on fee title versus easement acquisition, width of use. Question was asked, when do most counties stake plats? Most staked after completion of construction. Also discussion on lake access from road right of way.

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State Board Update: Lisa Hanni updated the group on State Board activities. There was much discussion on the definition of surveying, and model laws and rules. State Board Chair asked Lisa Hanni and Dave Landecker to look at model law and rules. Lisa and Dave are pushing the definition of surveying.

Denny Kron was asked about putting together a committee to work on model laws and rules. Denny, Bill Brown, Mike Welling and Rick Morey volunteered to be a part of the committee and to give updates to group at future meetings.

State wide DEM project: Counties are providing ground control and QA/QC control for project. There are 5 categories of land cover that are being checked on the project.

Government Notes Scanning: Dave Claypool sent Robin Mathews an email update on the project dated 5/25/2011. The scanning of the notes is done with the exception of a few out for review and checking yet. There are approximately 310,000 images scanned. Dave Claypool recommended a recognition plaque for MnGEO and MHS for their work to preserve the GLO Survey documents. **Motion by Robin Mathews, second by Bill Brown to give such plaques to MnGEO and MHS. Motion approved.**

Dave Claypool, Fred Logman and John Hoshal are giving a presentation on the project at the Minnesota GIS/LIS conference in October. A suggestion was made to distribute the notes the same way as the plats were distributed to the County Recorders. The notes will be on the BLM website and there is a link to the MnGEO website there also. Lisa to ask Dave, Fred and John if they would consider giving presentation to AMC and possibly at Recorders conference

Next Meeting: Thursday July 28th @ Red Wing or Hastings. Lisa Hanni will check on a time and place.

Other: Lisa Hanni asked if counties were seeing unsigned plans, drawings etc, being submitted for Planning Commissions or other Boards. There was discussion on what is required.

There was general discussion on giving out Lat/Long to GPS users.

Robin Mathews talked about issues with the Lightsquared proposals and the impact on GPS. Dave Landecker said the North Dakota state surveyors are addressing the issue also. Dave would provide information for distribution.

Tim Wotzka asked about the filing of surveys at counties and if others have problems with unsigned surveys.

Mike Welling said the Notary Statute (358.47) now requires a stamp which conflicts with the platting statutes.

Mike Welling introduced Craig Hinzman to the group. Craig Hinzman is the new Ramsey County Surveyor. Mike and Craig go way back in their careers working with each other. Craig has only been on the job a couple of weeks, but talked about the goals for Ramsey County.

Motion to adjourn by Robin Mathews. Second by Bill Brown. Meeting adjourned at 12:40 PM

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