

MINUTES OF MEETING

Minnesota Association of County Surveyors

September 19, 2013

Ramsey County Public Works, Arden Hills

Dan Baar called meeting to order at 10:10 am

In attendance: Dan Baar, Lisa Hanni, Steve Jobe, Mike Fangman, Pat Veraguth, Gary Hopko, Craig Hinzman, Mike Winfield, Scott Marlin, Chris Terwedo

Approval of Minutes: July 25, 2013 Motion Lisa, Second Steve, Approved conditional to the change of what could be interpreted as a harsh adjective that was used in the July 25th minutes to refer to plats coming in for county review.

Membership Report: Dan Baar read the report, 37 voting members, 6 affiliate members.

Treasurer's Report: Dan Baar read the report \$16,324.47 in treasury.

Legislative Committee: Lisa reported that there will be some minor changes to the definition of land surveying. She suggested MACS writes a letter of support in favor of the changes when the time comes.

Long Range Planning Committee: October seminar, to be discussed under business items

Business Items:

CIC Plat Manual Update (added to agenda by Steve Jobe): Steve reported that MSPS had an interest in updating the CIC Plat Manual. Mike Winfield and Scott Marlin agreed to draft a preliminary update for review.

Mississippi River Commission Notes (added to agenda by Lisa Hanni): Lisa reported that there needs to be some research done to determine what is available and how many resources it will take. This preliminary research will cost money (hired researcher) because the records reside in Maryland. A motion was made by Steve and seconded by Craig to allow spending for this preliminary research.

MACS Website update: Dan Baar demonstrated the new MACS website. Dan stated that he should get a copy of the latest member list (spreadsheet) from Jim. Tim Wotzka (not present) suggested we update the MN County Surveyors map. Lisa will provide Dan an updated map. Dan stated the website is now easy to update and can be done by several members of the organization. Dan is paying for the website and will submit for reimbursement. Dan said the website is still in its beginning phase and updates and additions are always welcome.

October Seminar: Dan Baar stated that Jason Rud from E.G. Rud and Son's volunteered to give an hour long presentation first thing in the morning of the seminar. Lisa and Steve will then spend the rest of the time presenting on platting. The focus of the seminar will be creating a plat that complies with state

statutes and local ordinances. There will be examples on what works and what doesn't. Lisa will put together an outline and send it out. After that, Lisa has asked for examples of good and bad submittals (Lisa warned you might be called upon to explain your example, should you choose to provide one). The target audience will be technicians. Price: Students/professors: Free, Technician/unlicensed: \$50, Licensed Professional \$100. The application form will be the same as last year, except the addition for technicians. Once we get an outline/flyer put together, it can be distributed by email and the MACS website.

State Board Update: Lisa reported that the last pencil/paper LSIT exam will occur this October. They will be computer based tests after that. She also said that they are working toward a computer based test for the Federal portion of the P.S. exam. She also said they are talking about adding test questions for review online instead of once a year.

Statewide DEM Projects update: Dan Baar stated that Ramsey County had some issues with projecting LAZ files to County Coordinates and they were resolved by Tim Loesch. This item can be removed from future agendas.

Government Notes Scanning update: This can be removed from future agendas

County Surveyor plat signature language: Old business

Discussion of MS 160.15 and MS 381.12: Old business

Lisa demonstrated a Pilot website that they have built for PLS data in Goodhue County.

Next Meeting: AMC Conference, December 2013.

Adjourn: Motion was made to adjourn, motion was seconded.