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MINUTES OF MEETING

Minnesota Association of County Surveyors

September 21st, 2016

MACS Meeting at Douglas County Public Works, Alexandria, MN.

Mike Fangman called the meeting to order at 10:03 AM

In attendance: Steve Jobe, Russ Heiling, Pat Veraguth, Jim Hentges, Tim Eklund, Pete Jenkins, Mike Fangman, Chris Mavis, Brad Nyberg, Rod Eldevik, Robin Mathews, Larry Hoium, Michelle Thompson, Scott Marlin, Paul Gibson, Rick Morey.

Approval of Minutes: July 28th 2016. Motion Robin Mathews. Second Chris Mavis. Approved.

Membership Report: 39 Voting members and 8 Affiliate members.

Treasurer's Report: \$17,110.53 in treasury.

Legislative Committee Report: No update.

Long Range Planning Committee: Discussion on different county positions and requirements.

Seminar updates: Discussion on final details for seminar in October. Student Questionnaires and Seminar Evaluation forms to be available this year. There was discussion to increase Rick Moreys time for Ethics to fill the final hour of the seminar. Rick agreed that the extra time would allow him to get into some cases which he usually doesn't have time to do with just one hour.

Life Membership for Dick Walter: Dick Walter is retiring in August. Dick was nominated for Life Membership in MACS and was unanimously approved.

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There was also discussion on how to involve retired surveyors and be able to have mentoring opportunities and pass on knowledge. Chris Mavis said MSPS is discussing how to get the retirees together with the Young Professionals groups. There was a suggestion to put students and professionals together at lunch during the MACS seminar to facilitate communication between students and surveyors.

MACS Role with active boundary disputes: There was discussion on MACS role in active boundary disputes. The consensus of the group was to not get involved with disputes if possible.

MACS Banner: Mike Fangman will bring the banner to the MACS seminar. Chris Mavis inquired if the banner could be brought to the GIS/LIS conference. It was agreed to bring banner to conference. Mike Fangman volunteered to bring banner with him.

State Board update: Robin Mathews provided a handout on the State Board activities for the last couple months. Robin discussed the Future City competition and said it was a great experience. Robin was the only surveyor judge last year and suggested that it would be beneficial to have more surveyors there to help judge the competition. Mike Fangman suggested sending out an email to coordinate a group of MACS members to attend the competition. For more information visit futurecity.org.

Carver County Surveyor position: Mike Fangman initiated discussion on the current open County Surveyor position at Carver County. Mike talked about how the position was set up and some of the responsibilities of the position.

Other: Steve Jobe and Pete Jenkins picked up the surveying display at Detroit Lakes and transported to Wright County. The display was donated to the Wright County Historical Society. There was discussion on merging the MACS banner and MSPS historical displays along with State Board and MSPS public relations information for a licensing matters display at the State Capitol.

Chris Mavis initiated discussion on City web pages that discuss what surveyors do and how to do it.

Chris Mavis informed group that the MSPS Annual Meeting will be held in Duluth this year. There is a change in format also with the conference ending at noon on Friday.

Next Meeting: The next MACS meeting will be in December at the AMC conference.

Adjourn: Motion by Robin Mathews. Second by Chris Mavis.