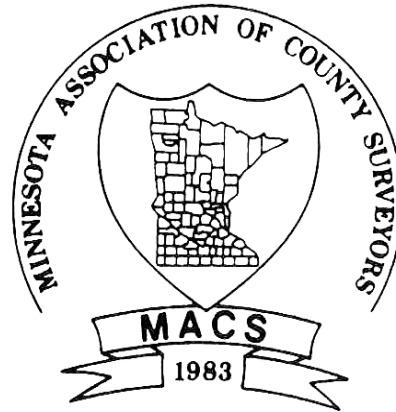


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## MINUTES OF MEETING

Minnesota Association of County Surveyors

September 3, 2015

MACS Meeting at Itasca County Courthouse.

Mike Fangman called the meeting to order at 10:05 AM

In attendance: Steve Jobe, Russ Heiling, Pat Veraguth, Jim Hentges, Mike Fangman, Tim Eklund, Rick Morey, Scott Marlin, Mike Welling, Paul Gibson, Bill Brown, Preston Dowell, Bob Kovanen, Tim Wotzka, Corey Hendershott, Guy Carlson, Larry Hoium, Dan Baar, Chris Terwedo.

Approval of Minutes: July 15th 2015. Motion Steve Jobe, Second Mike Welling. Approved.

**Membership Report:** 35 Voting members and 7 Affiliate members. Also noted that there are 23 Life members in MACS.

**Treasurer's Report:** \$14,105.33 in treasury.

**Legislative Committee Report:** Rick Morey reported that the Committee has not met. Rick said items for 2016 include Statute 515 changes, 505 Mylar requirements and possibly reducing the statute of limitations to 6 years. Steve Jobe suggested the group that worked on the CIC Manual Committee work with MSPS on changes to 515. Scott Marlin said he was willing to help out on the committee again. MACS group should work with MSPS and the Real Estate Bar also. Mike Welling noted that the change in some of the 505 statute revisions that change wording from "you shall" or "you must" to more suggesting language is a good change.

**Long Range Planning Committee:** No update.

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**Fall Seminar:** There was discussion on the Fall Seminar and finalizing topics. Group decided not to use the platting topic at this time. Steve Jobe will check with MSPS to see about getting email list to send seminar notice to.

**Historical Display:** Steve Jobe updated the group on what is being considered for updating the display. Steve Jobe, Don Borcharding, Pete Jenkins and others are working on possibilities for display. Discussion on roll up panels and other options for updating the display. The group will meet at the MACS Seminar in October to look at options. Bill Brown suggested a small computer and screen could be part of a new display. Scott Marlin asked if display could be used in Stearns County in early 2016. Preston Dowell offered to check if St. Louis County would be able to set up display during GIS/LIS conference.

**Boundary Retracement vs Deed Staking:** Mike Welling updated the group on status of situation.

**Letter of Support:** Dan Baar read a statement from Craig Hinzman supporting Mike Welling. Craig requested that MACS provide a letter of support for Mike Welling to Washington County. There was discussion regarding the situation and what is the appropriate action for MACS. Dan Baar made a motion to write a letter of support for Mike Welling to 1 Washington County Commissioner and the Public Works Director. There was further discussion on when MACS should get formally involved in these situations. After further discussion, Dan Baar withdrew the motion.

**Recruitment:** Tim Eklund initiated discussion on how to get other county surveyors involved in MACS. Tim also suggested MACS could try to get other outside people interested in MACS and promoting the surveying profession. Scott Marlin volunteered to contact schools in his area to provide information on surveying. Russ Heiling suggested a booth at the State Fair promoting surveying. There was discussion on opportunities for education.

**Group emails:** Tim Eklund asked if the MACS website could be updated to have a forum section. Dan Baar said at this time, that is not possible. Request was made for Jim Hentges to send out MACS email distribution group to everybody. Dan Baar will check into Google options.

**AMC Booth:** Jim Hentges discussed the MACS booth at the AMC conference and volunteers to work the booth. Steve Jobe, Bill Brown, Denny Kron and Tim Wotzka volunteered to work the booth.

**Other:** Rick Morey asked about descriptions that say all of this parcel "except the road". County Attorneys have said it really means "subject to the road". There was general discussion on roads and how they were established.

Next meeting is scheduled for December @ the AMC Conference.

**Adjourn:** Motion to adjourn by Tim Wotzka. Second by Mike Welling.

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