



# 2017 Annual Meeting

Thursday, October 12, 2017, 1:00 PM

Hampton Inn & Suites

Bemidji, MN

MACPZA Website: [www.macpza.org](http://www.macpza.org)

## Call to Order:

President Pam Flitter called the meeting to order.

## Members in Attendance:

Kyle Vareberg, Becker Co.	Brent Rud, Beltrami Co.	Darren Wilke, Big Stone Co.
Heather Cunningham, Carlton Co.	John Ringle, Cass Co.	Daniel Hecht, Clearwater Co.
Timothy Nelson, Cook Co.	Jared Morill, Cottonwood Co.	Chris Pence, Crow Wing Co.
David Rush, Douglas Co.	Greg Lillemon, Grant Co.	Aaron Lacher, Houston Co.
Andy Geiger, Jackson Co.	Teresa Wickeham, Kanabec Co.	Gary Geer, Kandiyohi Co.
Jennifer Breberg, Lac qui Parle Co.	Christine McCarthy, Lake Co.	Kathy Brockway, LeSueur Co.
John Biren, Lyon Co.	Josh Johnston, Marshall Co.	Pam Flitter, Martin Co.
Larry Gasow, McLeod Co.	Amy Kowalzek, Morrison Co.	Angela Lipelt, Mower Co.
Jean Christoffels, Murray Co.	Mandy Landkamer, Nicollet Co.	Kathy Henderschiedt, Nobles Co.
Garry Johannson, Norman Co.	Kristi Gross, Olmsted Co.	Josh Holte, Polk Co.
Scott Wold, Redwood Co.	Scott Refsland, Renville Co.	Trent McCorkell, Rice Co.
Eric Hartman, Rock Co.	Lynn Waytashek, Sherburne Co.	Bill Kleindl, Stevens Co.
Angie Berg, Stearns Co.	Dale Oolman, Steele Co.	Scott Collins, Swift Co.
Kevin Krause, Wabasha Co.	David Haler, Watonwan Co.	Bruce Poppel, Wilkin Co.
Eric Johnson, Winona Co.	Jolene Johnson, Yellow Medicine Co.	Terry Neff, Aitkin Co.

## Associate Members in Attendance:

Affiliate members were not accounted for.

A quorum was established.

## *Agenda*

**MSP:** Eric Hartman/Kathy Henderschiedt to approve the agenda with the addition of Heather Arends, DNR, to speak on Aggregate Mapping.

## *Minutes*

**MSP:** David Rush/Jean Christoffels to approve the October 6, 2016, MACPZA Annual Meeting Minutes.

## *Treasurer's Report – Angie Lipelt*

- Checking/Savings Account
  - \$11,073.50 checking account balance with \$1,430.00 due in Conf. Registrations yet.
  - \$25,654.85 savings account balance
- Membership Report
  - 82 Members
  - 42 Affiliate Members
  - Note: all time high of membership
  - New members in attendance were recognized

- Treasurer reviewed the budget for 2017 and actual expenses to date.
- Budget for 2017 was \$30,000 and to date expenses come in at \$26,551.23

**MSP:** Lynn Waytashek/Eric Johnson to approve treasurer's report as presented.

- **Auditing Committee Report**
  - Dale reported that the audit committee reviewed the books for 2017 and found everything to be in order.

**MSP:** Josh Johnston/Trent McCorkell, to approve Audit Committee Report.

**Old Business**  
None

**New Business**

- **Budget proposal for 2018**
  - Not many changes from 2017, board feels that there is a healthy saving account balance and the membership numbers at an all-time high, so the proposal is to keep amounts the same.
  - Membership dues would also stay the same at \$125.00 for members and \$50.00 for affiliate members.
  - Discussion on a separate line item for scholarship funds, it was determined that this would be coming out of educational expense. Proposed by-law change to scholarship was to allow to include family members. There were already by-laws set up for scholarships and funds would have been taken from the educational expense.
  - A policy should be developed to determine possible set amounts of these scholarships

**MSP:** Dave Rush/Jean Christoffels to approve the MACPZA 2018 Budget and Membership Dues as presented.

- **Amendment to By-Laws**
  - Josh Johnston of the By-Laws committee reported to the group the proposed changes.
  - Article XII – Awards. Change Honorary Life Membership Award to now be known as the William Patnaude Honorary Life Membership Award.
  - Article XIII. Educational Scholarship Subcommittee. Section 1. add language; affiliate members of MACPZA or immediate family members (spouse or child) of MACPZA members pursuing degrees that will be applicable to MACPZA.
  - Also, in Section 3 to delete “from regular members of MACPZA”
  - Section 4, replace regular members with the words “applicant(s)”
  - These changes were first proposed at the annual meeting of MACPZA 2016.

**MSP:** Terry Neff/Gary Johansson to approve the changes as presented by the By-Law Committee to the By-Laws.

- **MACPZA Policy and Legislative Platform**
  - Chris Pence reviewed the 2018 MACPZA Legislative Platform
  - **Legislative Priorities:**
    - Remove #1 & #2

- Replace with #1 support for increase state funding to accelerate mapping program for non-metallic mineral deposits that have potential for being economically mined
- #2. Administer and allocate NRBG funds through the MN Dept of Revenue. These funds should not be considered grants.
- #3. Support state funding to MnDNR to establish OHW and 100 year flood elevations on public waters.
- **Legislative Positions:**
  - Administration - Added under #3 the support of NRBG funding going through the Department of Revenue and should not be considered grants.
  - Land Use – Deleting those points that have been accomplished and duplications. The addition of #5, support to establish the OHW and 100 yr. flood elevations on public waters.
  - Wastewater Treatment – Added #3, to support education and testing content consistent with MN Rules 7080-7083 for certification of septic professionals.
  - Water Management and Protection – add #5, opposing mandatory inclusion of counties in the MS4 permit program without adequate funding.
  - Wetland Management Protection – no changes
  - Non-Metallic Mineral Resources – no changes

**MSP:** Terry Neff/ Andy Geiger motion to approve 2018 Platform with proposed changes.

#### **AMC updates – Jennifer Berquam:**

- Survey went out to County Administrators asking what the Buffer dollars were being used for and what the plans are for the County. Also, to find out if the amount of money is adequate for the work required. This information will be used by AMC so they have back ground for when they are asked questions about these areas.
- Zoning Survey needs some work, compiling of results is too overwhelming for AMC staff, potential for developing a small work group of MACPZA members to assist with the survey as well as possible revisions.
- Reminder again to use the message board, it helps reduce the amount of emails. It is a good resource.
- AMC along with MACPZA President, Vice President and Past President will be meeting with the DNR, BWSR and MPCA, the end of November. Discussion of top priorities, key issues and areas of concerns. If you have anything you want brought before them, please talk with Jen.
- Jen reviewed the schedule of meetings she will be attending to represent the group.
- Jen reviewed all the items AMC will address this year during the legislative session.

#### **Committee Reports**

##### **Professional Development – Tim Nelson**

- September training was very good and well attended.
- Committee always wants feedback on these trainings, also timing of these events.
- Continuing Education Credits have been discussed, group was asked who in the membership would use these, not enough to warranty spending the money or the time to have these accredited.

##### **SSTS – SEIF – Terry Neff**

- No Report

##### **Buffer Workgroup – Dave Rush**

- Dave asked the group how many had submitted Buffer Ordinances and received comments back from BWSR and how did they feel about the comments.

- The group would like to collect these comments when the County is at odds with what BWSR is saying.
- Other counties maybe having the same issue and the group could work with these along with AMC as needed.
- Jen B., AMC, said she would ask BWSR if they would supply her with the comments that they have made on submitted ordinances.

### ***Discussion***

- Pam Flitter reminded the group that Districts B, D and F will need to appoint their representatives and alternates in January and report these back to the Executive Board.
- Fall Conference 2018 will be hosted by District "E". The planning committee has started with some planning and are looking at having the conference at the Oak Ridge Hotel and Conference Center in Chaska.
- Conference Dates are set for October 10, 11, and 12, 2018.
- Conference planners for the current conference were thanked for another good conference.

### **Presentation from Heather Arends – DNR – Aggregate Mapping**

- Ms. Arends presented to the group information about the Aggregate mapping program on what they are doing and where they are at with the process.
- 27 counties have been mapped to date.
- 60 counties left to go, with the hope of doing at a minimum of 6 per year.
- Mapping shows the pits, what type of pits and ownership.
- There is a wealth of data behind each point.
- Information is also available for the general public.
- They need stakeholders support on the work they are doing to get the necessary funding this project requires.

### ***Adjourn***

**MSP:** Dave Rush/Terry Neff to adjourn 2017 Annual Meeting

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Breberg  
Secretary