

# BOARD OF DIRECTORS Minutes

# Executive Board Meeting August 7, 2020 Via Video Conference

# Members in Attendance:

John Biren, Lyon Co. (D), President	Mandy Landkamer, Nicollet Co. (E)
Eric Hartman, Rock Co. (D) Treasurer	Dale Oolman, Steele Co. (F)
Jennifer Breberg, Lac qui Parle Co. (D) Secretary	Kyle Krier, Pipestone Co. (D)
Josh Johnston, Marshall Co. (A)	Dave Rush, Douglas Co. (C)
Terry Neff, Aitkin Co. (B)	

# **Members Absent:**

Angie Lipelt, Mower Co. (F) Vice President Pam Flitter, Martin Co., Past President

# Others in Attendance

Brian Martinson, AMC Becky Accettura, AMC Jenny Shillcox, DNR Ceil Strauss, DNR Dan Petrick, DNR

#### Call to Order

Attendance Roll Call-Quorum

#### Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve.

MSP Terry N. / Dale O.

# Approval of Minutes of the May 27, 2020.

Motion to approve minutes. **MSP**: Terry N. / Kyle K.

# Treasurer's Report- Eric Hartman, Treasurer

- Treasurer Eric emailed a YTD Financial Report to the Board for Review.
- Total revenues YTD are at \$13,562.97, which is 43% of the budget.
- Total Expenditures YTD are at \$10,650.57 which is 34% of the budget.
- Checking account balance; \$743.53.
- Saving account balance; \$21,806.89.
- Membership Count: 81 Members and 34 Associate members.
- Motion to accept Treasurer's report.

MSP: Dale O. / Josh J.

#### Dues increase discussion - Eric

- Board looked at the impacts of the last year on the budget and if an increase in dues would be justified.
- An increase of \$30.00 to the member dues and \$15.00 to the associate dues was discussed.
- Upon further discussion motion to present the suggested increase to the membership dues to balance the budget for next year at the annual meeting.

MSP: Terry N. / Dale O.

#### **2021 Budget**

- The proposed budget was reviewed by the board.
- Suggestion to trim in some areas and increase dues to balance the budget.
- Suggested to cut the education expense which has not been utilized and an increase in the amount of the membership dues.
- Eric will prepare a state for the annual meeting concerning the adjustments to the proposed budget.

#### **Audit Report: No Report**

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### 2020 Fall Conference

- Brian from AMC offered the use of the "Zoom" meeting account or the "Go to Meeting" through AMC.
- Voting options were discussed. Ryan Erdman, AMC, has been working with this ad Brian will seek out assistance from Ryan on how this will be handled for the Virtual Annual Meeting.
- Voting can be handled just like in person with the use of a polling type system or a Microsoft form, which MACFO used for their annual meeting.
- Motion to set date of the annual meeting for October 1, 2020, at 10:00 am.

MSP: Dave R. / Terry N.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- Nominating committee will be working on nominations for board positions up for election.
- Notice of the annual meeting will go out on September 1, 2020.

- Secretary Report submitted for award nominations. Jean Christoffels nominated for the Tina Rosenstein Award.
- Motion to approve the award nomination as presented.

MSP: Mandy L. / Terry N.

Motion to set the next meeting of the Executive Board for September 28, 2020, at 10:00
 am.

MSP: Dave R. / Eric H.

# Presentation from DNR - Jenny Shillcox, Ceil Strauss and Dan Petrick

- Jen S. reviewed the information available concerning mooring facilities and land alterations.
- Dan P. also discussed the strength in the land alteration standards near lakes and rivers, reminded that this is a draft document, idea came from the rising water issues, includes administrative tips. Discussion was that this is fine, but when it isn't in the County's ordinance it is hard to enforce.
- Issues are that the landowners want to gain what they have lost. Rip rap has been the standard and it is what is available. It would be beneficial to County's if they gain the support of the DNR.
- Renovation of the "Shoreland Alterations: Rip Rap" that is on the web site.
- Suggestion to have DNR help with enforcement; this would be very helpful to Counties.
- More discussion on mooring facilities, again more clarification needed in the rules.
- Jen S. thought that Jen Sorenson, the public waters lead should be brought into the discussion concerning enforcement and fines.
- Docks are a hot issue, there is not a lot of good technical information.

#### AMC Updates – Brian Martinson

- 2020 Legislative session review is out there to look at.
- Julie from AMC will be working on the Contract ad it will be ready for review at the annual meeting.
- AMC has been using zoom for meetings, they currently have 10 accounts. One of these
  accounts is dedicated for affiliate use.
- Accounts can carry up to 300 participants. It is about \$200 for annual fee, if needed this could be built into the contract. AMC wants to hear what the thoughts are of the group.
- Gravel pit issues with MPCA; discussed setting up a work group. More internal discussion on how they want to work on this.
- Survey how do we want to proceed on this? Survey should have been done this year, but has been put aside with both Jen and Ben leaving AMC. What do we want in the survey? They will take a look at what had been started for 2018 and see what they can get out by the end of the year.

#### **Committee Reports**

# Legislative Committee – Pam Flitter

- New Priority process will be gone through by the Committee.
- John B. will contact Pam F. concerning the submittal of the draft legislative platform.

 Brian M. will communicate with the Legislative Committee to schedule their next meeting.

# <u>Professional Development Committee – Dave Rush</u>

- In place of the fall conference, nothing has been set up, but ideas are being looked at.
- Scott and Jay are willing to put together something, October or late November. A virtual legislative training, but are open to more suggestions.
- Suggestion to also make a training for Planning & Zoning boards and BOA's, also.

#### By-Laws – Josh Johnston

Nothing brought before the committee; no report.

# **Other Committee Report:**

# SSTS Advisory – Terry N.

No Report – Chris LeClair has replaced Terry on this committee.

# SIETF - Terry N.

- No Report
- Question asked about proxy for SSTS license testing. This would be done with the county official present during testing. They are currently doing this for Ag inspector exams. It was said the PCA is the hang up on this issue.

# BWSR Work Group - Kyle K.

- Meeting with Kevin B. brought him up to speed on PRAP, NRBG grants and Elink Reports.
- Future meetings will be scheduled.

#### **Other Business**

Southwest region is without a Solid Waste person at the Regional PCA office again. This
position is empty more than it is filled. This needs to be brought up at the AMC
Commissioners meeting.

Adjourn: MSP: Dave R. / Eric H.

Next meeting will be a 10:00 am, Monday, September 28, 2020; via video conferencing.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Breberg
MACPZA Secretary