



2016 Annual Meeting

Thursday, October 6, 2016, 1:00 PM

Prairie's Edge Casino and Resort,
Granite Falls, MN

MACPZA Website: www.macpza.org

Call to Order:

President Chris Pence called the meeting to order.

Members in Attendance:

Terry Neff, Aitkin Co.

Heather Cunningham, Carlton Co.

Daniel Hecht, Clearwater Co.

Chris Pence, Crow Wing Co.

Aaron Lacher, Houston Co.

Jennifer Breberg, Lac qui Parle Co.

Robert Olsen, Lincoln Co.

Pam Flitter, Martin Co.

Michele McPherson, Mille Lacs Co.

Jean Christoffels, Murray Co.

Gary Johannson, Norman Co.

David Green, Pope Co.

Trent McCorkell, Rice Co.

Angie Berg, Stearns Co.

Eric Johnson, Winona Co.

Joe Janish, Benton Co.

John Ringle, Cass Co.

Tim Nelson, Cook Co.

Melissa DeVetter, Dodge Co.

Eric Buitenwerf, Hubbard Co.

Christine Mc Carthy, Lake Co.

John Biren, Lyon Co.

Larry Gasow, McLeod Co.

Amy Kowalzek, Morrison Co.

Mandy Landkamer, Nicollet Co.

Kyle Krier, Pipestone Co.

Scott Wold, Redwood Co.

Lynn Waytashek, Sherburne Co.

Scott Collins, Swift Co.

Jolene Johnson, Yellow Medicine Co.

Laine Sletta, Brown Co.

Tim Magnuson, Clay Co.

Jared Morill, Cottonwood Co.

David Rush, Douglas Co.

Teresa Wickenham, Kanabec Co.

Kathy Brockway, Le Sueur Co.

Josh Johnston, Marshall Co.

Kristin Cote, Meeker Co.

Angie Knish, Mower Co.

Wayne Smith, Nobles Co.

Josh Holte, Polk Co.

Mark Erickson, Renville Co.

Bill Kleindl, Stevens Co.

David Haler, Watonwan Co.

Associate Members in Attendance:

Affiliate members were not accounted for.

A quorum was established.

Agenda

MSP: Tim Nelson/Michelle Mc Pherson to approve the agenda as presented.

Minutes

- Correct spelling of Le Sueur County.

MSP: Tim Magnusson/Larry Gasow to approve the September 24, 2015, Annual Meeting Minutes.

Treasurer's Report – Angie Knish

- Checking/Savings Account
 - \$14,689.27 checking account balance
 - \$28,641.86 savings account balance
- Membership Report
 - 73 Members
 - 36 Affiliate Members

- Auditing Committee Report
 - Larry Gasow and Jean Christoffels- Everything is in order.

MSP: Gary Johannson /Terry Neff accepted the treasurer's report as presented.

Old Business

None

New Business

Election of Officers:

- Amy Kowalzek and Angie Berg will count ballots.

Vice President:

Angie Knish

John Biren

John Biren will be the Vice President for 2017-2018.

Secretary:

Kathy Brockway

Jennifer Breberg

Jennifer Breberg will be the Secretary for 2017-2018.

Treasurer:

Angie Knish

Wayne Sorenson

Angie Knish will be the Treasurer for 2017-2018.

- Review and Vote on 2017 MACPZA Budget
 - No change in dues or budget

MSP: Terry Neff/Tim Nelson to approve the 2017 MACPZA Budget as proposed

- Review and Vote on 2017 MACPZA Dues
 - Chris reviewed the proposed dues: \$125 member \$75 affiliate; no change from 2016.

MSP: Eric Johnson/Garry Johannson to approve 2016 MACPZA Dues as proposed

- Review and Vote on Proposed MACPZA Policy and Legislative Platform –
 - Jean reviewed the 2017 Policy and Platform

○ **Legislative Priorities:**

- Remove #2: Comprehensive Land Use Plan Funding
- Add NRBG Language-to include continue open discussions with BWSR

○ **Objectives:**

- Eliminate 3rd sentence, get clarification on Rule. Consistency with SWA.

○ **Water Management and Protection:**

- Add to: MACPZA supports funding to LGU's for administration and enforcement of the Buffer and Soil Loss Law.

MSP: Laine Sletta/Robert Olsen approve 2017 Platform with proposed changes

Jennifer Berquam AMC updates:

- Non budget year
- Health Care Bill
- Continued discussion on Granny Pod options to opt out

- Buffer Law
- Transportation funding
- Bonding Bill
- Tax Bill did not pass
- Special Session more than likely dead for 2016.
- Role of AMC presence at the Capitol lobbying for Counties.
 - AMC dues to increase by 3%
 - Educational
 - Research Analyst
 - Resource for members
 - Coordinate Events
 - Discussed testimony training- how to prepare for testifying at the Capitol. Ben to spearhead a training session.

Discussion

- Chris Pence, reminder to continue using the MACPZA message board.
- Jean Christoffels, suggested that MACPZA members offer scholarships for students going into the Natural Environment or Planning and Zoning fields.
 - Possible scholarships to go out to each district.
 - No applications within the district, amount would be divided to other applicants.
 - Board is to create a committee to set up guidelines.
 - Executive Board to discuss at the February meeting.
- November 10, 2016 fall meeting with MPCA, SWA and MACFO representatives also attend.

Adjourn

MSP: Tim Magnuson/Lynn Waytashek to adjourn 2016 Annual Meeting

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathy Brockway
Secretary

