



2016 MACPZA ANNUAL MEETING

Thursday, October 6, 2016, 1:00 p.m.

Prairie's Edge Casino & Resort

Granite Falls, MN



MACPZA
Membership Roll Call



A G E N D A

Call to Order

Membership Roll Call (Quorum: 1/3 of Regular Membership)

Approval of Agenda

Approval of Minutes of the September 24, 2015, Annual Meeting

Treasurer's Report – Angie Knish

Checking/Savings Account

Membership Report

Auditing Committee Report

Old Business

New Business

Review and Approve 2017 MACPZA Budget – Treasurer Angie Knish

Review and Approve 2017 MACPZA Dues – Treasurer Angie Knish

Election of 2017-2018 MACPZA Executive Board **Additional Nominations will be accepted from the floor**

Vice President Candidates: Angie Knish – Mower County John Biren – Lyon County

Secretary Candidates: Kathy Brockway – Le Sueur County Jennifer Breberg – Lac Qui Parle County

Treasurer Candidates: Angie Knish – Mower County Wayne Sorenson – Freeborn County

Review and Approve 2017 MACPZA Legislative Platform – Jean Christoffels, Chair

AMC Update – Jennifer Berquam

MACPZA Committee Reports

Other

Board of Directors District Representative and Alternate Representative Elections – Districts A, C and E (January 2017)

2017 Annual Conference Host – District A

Adjourn



2015 Annual MACPZA Minutes

September 24, 2015 @ 1:00 pm



Treasurer's Report





Auditing Committee

Larry Gasow

Jean Christoffels

**Auditing
Report**





**MACPZA
Budget
and
Membership
Dues**

Proposed 2017 MACPZA Budget

Revenues

Membership Dues	\$11,625.00 *
Annual Conference Registration	10,500.00
Spring Conference Registration	3,500.00
Miscellaneous – interest income	375.00
Transfer From Savings	<u>4,000.00</u>
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 30,000.00

Expenses

Board and Committee Meetings	\$1,000.00
AMC Dues	9,000.00
Attorney Retainer	2,500.00
Annual Conference Expenses	10,500.00
Spring Conference Expenses	3,500.00
Miscellaneous	500.00
Education Expenses	<u>3,000.00</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 30,000.00

Proposed 2017 Membership Dues

Regular Member - \$125.00

Affiliate Member - \$50.00

* Membership Based on 79 Regular (\$125) and 35 Associate (\$50)



**2017-2018
Elections**

VICE PRESIDENT:

Angie Knish, Mower County

John Biren, Lyon County

Write-in: _____



**2017-2018
Elections**

SECRETARY:

Kathy Brockway, Le Sueur County

Jennifer Breberg, Lac Qui Parle County

Write-in: _____



**2017-2018
Elections**

TREASURER:

Angie Knish, Mower County

Wayne Sorenson, Freeborn County

Write-in: _____



2017 MACPZA Legislative Platform

Introduction

The purpose of this Platform is to establish MACPZA statements of support or opposition to a variety of issues facing county planning and zoning administrators. A secondary purpose is to inform AMC of issues of importance to planning and zoning administrators as it develops its Platform.

Furthermore, any policies adopted by MACPZA will be consistent with those adopted by AMC. These policies in no way bind any member county zoning administrator from supporting policies different from the policies in this Platform.

MACPZA's Legislative Platform are statements of support or opposition to a variety of issues facing county planning and zoning administrators. Any MACPZA position will be consistent with those adopted by AMC, with a list of Association Priorities forwarded for AMC's Platform development. Adoption of these positions in no way bind any member county zoning administrator from supporting a position different from the Association's Legislative Platform.



Legislative Platform

~~MACPZA Policy Goals~~

~~MACPZA supports policies for the purpose of promoting health, safety, morals, and general welfare to better serve citizens as well as local and state government. These policies should support efficient and effective land use management and promote environmental protections for present and future generations.~~

MACPZA's legislative goals are to promote the health, safety, morals, and general welfare to better serve Minnesota citizens as well as local, state and federal government. Through these legislative positions, MACPZA will support efficient and effective land use management and promote environmental protections for present and future generations. Finally, Federal and State agencies should respect the role of counties in land use management and environmental protection by treating counties as equal partners, while working toward common goals, in all discussions affecting county responsibilities during law, statute, rule and policy making processes.

Legislative Priorities

1. ~~Subdivision of Land Legislation. Move legislation to seek the same subdivision of land review authority already afforded municipalities and townships to ensure that land is divided in a way that doesn't prevent a future or current owner from building on the land or using it in the way they intend to.~~
2. ~~Comprehensive Land Use Plan Funding. Assist in negotiating/creating legislation to support the need for counties to review and amend comprehensive land use plans on a periodic cycle. Plans should be reviewed at least every 5 years and amended in a 20-25 year cycle. Comprehensive land use plans are the legislative basis for ordinance citation.~~



Legislative Platform

3. Natural Resources Block Grant (NRBG) Reporting. Partner with the Board of Water and Soil Resources to seek exemption of duplicative reporting on NRBG funding from the Office of Grants Management or through a legislative solution. MACPZA members will continue current reporting practices on individual programs within the NRBG such as SSTS, WCA and the Shoreland programs.

Objectives

1. Buffer and Soil Loss Law. Actively pursue clarification from both the DNR and BWSR on local responsibilities and program requirements.
2. Farm Disposal of Solid Waste. Actively pursue clarification from MPCA on M.S. 17.135. Changes are needed to assist landowners in complying with Minnesota Law. Changes should be pursued to develop a turn-key program for disclosure purposes.

~~Policy Statements~~ Legislative Positions



Legislative Platform

Administration

- A.1. MACPZA supports requiring its inclusion during all federal and state agency discussions affecting county land use and environmental responsibilities.
- A.2. MACPZA supports requiring all state mandates be adequately funded through non-county revenue sources.
- A.3. MACPZA opposes new state mandates for enforcement, administration and implementation of state programs without additional adequate funding, and technical support from the state.
- A.4. MACPZA supports the clear and consistent application from state agencies of all mandated requirements, reports, reviews and audits throughout all regions of the state.
- A.5. MACPZA supports requiring State Agencies to follow the established procedures for Rule-making and/or Statute Amendments versus Guidance creation.



Land Use

- LU.1.** MACPZA supports requiring clear and consistent definitions of expected outcomes from all State Agencies and sufficient state funding that covers the costs to LGU's in implementing state mandated rules and programming.
- LU.2.** MACPZA supports requiring townships that elect to adopt any level of land use regulations, to assume all land use control responsibilities outlined within Minnesota Statute Chapter 394.
- LU.3.** MACPZA supports amending Minn. Statutes to provide counties with the same authority as cities and townships to require subdivisions of land to be in compliance with county zoning ordinances prior to being recorded.



Land Use

Legislative Platform

LU.4. MACPZA supports federal funding to accelerate updating of floodplain maps and increased technical assistance and education.

~~LU.5. MACPZA supports a statutory definition of feedlot capacity as “permitted capacity”.~~

~~LU.6. MACPZA supports the Feedlot Program Assessment to be accomplished through a team approach with the District Pollution Control Agency (PCA) staff and county staff.~~

~~LU.7. MACPZA supports counties being allowed the same 60 day time line as allowed by state agencies in Minn. Statute 15.992.~~



Land Use

LU.8. With respect to Minnesota's geographic and cultural diversity, MACPZA supports the locally controlled development, adoption, and implementation of comprehensive land use plans to serve as the foundation for the county's zoning ordinances.

LU.9. MACPZA supports state funding to assist units of local government in planning, zoning, and Geographic Information System (GIS) efforts.

~~LU.10. MACPZA encourages the Department of Commerce to offer local units of government guidance and a model ordinance for the siting of solar energy systems.~~



Wastewater Treatment

~~WWT.1. MACPZA supports all subsurface sewage treatment systems (SSTS) be inspected at the time of a sale or transfer of property or as part an alternative inspection program.~~

WWT.2. MACPZA supports an ongoing state grant and loan assistance program to assist landowners in upgrading or replacing non-compliant SSTS's.

WWT.3. MACPZA supports enforcement of Pollution Control Agency licensing standards and requirements.

~~WWT.4. MACPZA supports requiring state funding that covers the costs to LGU's for implementation, enforcement and administration of rules and programming.~~



Water Management and Protection

Legislative Platform

- ~~**WMP.1.** MACPZA supports restoring and increasing State financial support for county and/or regional water management planning.~~
- ~~**WMP.2.** MACPZA supports developing further guidance from the Minnesota Department of Health on the interaction between well protection and county zoning, and specifically clarifying groundwater protection measures within these areas.~~
- WMP.3.** MACPZA supports clarification of local responsibilities from the DNR and BWSR on the Buffer and Soil Loss Law.



Legislative Platform

Wetland Management and Protection

- WTMP.1.** MACPZA supports the training and the voluntary certification of wetland program administrators.
- WTMP.2.** MACPZA supports simplifying federal and state wetland regulations.
- WTMP.3.** MACPZA supports the de minimis exemptions as they were in 2006.
- WTMP.4.** MACPZA supports maintaining WCA as a conservation program rather than a preservation program.
- WTMP.5.** MACPZA supports the review of the potential use of wetland replacement incentives to encourage wetland mitigation outside of those counties that contain 80% or more of their pre-settlement wetlands.
- WTMP.6.** MACPZA supports county approval of project specific wetland mitigation sites.



Non-Metallic Mineral Resources

NMMR.1. MACPZA supports the adoption of policies by the state and local governments that provide for the reclamation of non-metallic mineral mines when mining ceases.

NMMR.2. MACPZA supports increased funding to accelerate the state-mapping program to accurately identify non-metallic mineral deposits that have the potential to be economically mined.

NMMR.3. MACPZA supports updating the Department of Natural Resource's Aggregate Mining Reclamation Manual including the development of reclamation standards for non-metallic mineral mines.



AMC Update
Jennifer Berquam



**Discussion
and
Other**

- *Committee Reports*
- *Board of Directors District Representative and Alternate Representative Elections – Districts A, C and E (January 2017)*
- *2017 Annual Conference Host – District A*



Adjourn

ADJOURNMENT