

BOARD OF DIRECTORS Minutes

Executive Board Meeting October 12, 2022 Stearns County Service Center, St. Cloud and Zoom

Members in Attendance: Board Members

Angie Lipelt, Mower Co., (F) President Garry Johanson, Norman Co., (A) Vice President Josh Johnston, Marshall Co., (A) Eric Hartman, Rock Co., (D) Treasurer Kristi Gross, Olmsted County (F) Secretary John Biren, Lyon Co., (D), Past President

District Representatives

Tim Nelson, Cook Co., (B)
Dave Rush, Douglas Co. (C)
Samantha Pierret, Goodhue Co. (F)
Kyle Krier, Pipestone Co., (D)
Laine Sletta, Brown Co., (E)
Dale Oolman, Steele Co., (F)

Members Absent:

Pam Flitter, Martin Co. (E), Angie Berg, Stearns Co.(C)

Others in Attendance

Lynn Waytashek, Sherburne Co.

Call to Order

Attendance Roll Call

Approval of Agenda

MSP: Garry/Eric

Approval of Minutes: of the August 5, 2022 Meeting

MSP: Kristi/Eric

Treasurer's Report – Eric Hartman

- Checking/Savings Account: 8593.05/28,327.89
- Membership Report: 80/35 \$16,400
- 50 registrations paid, 58 registered attendees

MSP: Kyle/John

2023 Proposed Budget

• Updated from August meeting no action needed

Audit Committee Report

Kyle-everything reviewed and report it being favorable MSP: Kristi Gross/Garry

Old Business Old Business

- Fall Conference
 - Award
 - Roster of candidates sent out.
 - Paper Ballots prepared, write in line for each office
 - o Elections

New Business

AMC Updates - Brian Martinson

- AMC Priorities
 - District meetings over next 3 weeks voting on list of priorities
 - o 3 priorities:
 - Return 100% of Solid waste mgmt. tax to solid waste purposes to county score grants
 - Public waters inventory-court decision in Renville County for the purposes of statutory limits mandatory EAW for that water, mandatory EAW on water that is not on the inventory.
 - DNR process on 5 waters may happen now that court case is over. Statutory process for re-classification.
 - Drainage registry- requires registry and prohibits work for 30 days post registration
 - Fall policy conference
 - Dave, attended by a number of county commissioners
 - Bring up issue of solar and disposal of solar panels, resonate with commissioners in attendance. MPCA most likely trying again to put something together again to put legislation on solar disposal.
 - Ensuring AIS funding continues.
 - Trying to do regional coordinating for AIS prevention
 - Garry-wind towers what is recyclable and what are they doing with the blades. On the solar what can be recycled?
 - Need to direct these questions to the MPCA and manufacturers
 - Brian- Got pushback from clean energy folks and the industry who said you don't need to worry about this. Language asking the industry to put together a report that answers those questions, what's recyclable, management options for the state, explain what would happen if the state did not act. MPCA relenting from pushing a program forward but pushing the groups to come to the table.
 - Kyle- Hard to regulate when there are three phases of subcontractors.

- Angie- Wind blade removals and subcontracted for "proper disposal" which they put on a property in Mower County. Would have to transport to WY or IA, for recycling, would cost the county 1-2 million dollars.
- Jon Biren, state created the problem they need to fix it.
- Affiliate Priorities
- AMC Contract
 - Kristi-Scanning past minute agenda hard copies
 - AMC can scan and put on external hard drive.
- Land Use Training
 - When is ideal to schedule training? 2-past practices
 - o 1 in person/1 online steer away from hybrid ideal time for people?
 - In person you get a lot more out of it. Jay is kicking idea of boot camp for new planning/zoning administrators.
 - March/Spring
 - o Coordinate with MCIT?
 - Brian and Becky will start working on pulling together.

MACPZA Committee Reports

- Legislative Committee John Biren
 - 2023 Legislative Platform
- Professional Development Committee -
 - Haven't met
 - Start planning Spring Conference
 - Kyle-shop drains, white page on MPCA website, ag drains are exempt, commercial regulated, not commercial not-regulated.
 - Angie-session with Dept of Ag and hemp-control burn if its in the field, if it
 was in a pile they could issue a burn permit.
- By-Laws Committee Josh Johnston
 - No update
- Nominating Committee
 - o Done

Other Committee Reports-no recent meetings for any of them

- SSTS Advisory
 - Met last month no update
- SIETF -
- WACA workgroup question-bringing rules in line with changes, still in early stages. Have 3 advisory committee meeting planned. Then draft rule.

Discussion

- Garry Johanson
 - Discussion before lunch on climate trends
 - Got on zoom with Dan mainly shoreland issues, wetland issues, erosion going into rivers.

- Wanted Garry to do a little talk after their talk. Don't want to call it climate change call it climate mitigation, climate adjustment. Stack up agency folks and come up with policies and bills and money. Would walk someone at the table, coming in making our shoreland ordinances look different in the future. They want to provide information to take back to your commissioners. What should Garry talk about
- Don't talk about the cause but talk about the effects, and what policies do we need to put in place to diminish flooding.
- o Angie-benefits of buffer, seeing results in Zumbro and clear beautify creek.
- Jenny B.-works with drainage maybe having her come talk

Other Business

Adjourn

MSP: Dave/Laine

Next Meeting: December 6, 2022-AMC Conference

Respectfully Submitted,

Kristi Gross MACPZA Secretary

