



BOARD OF DIRECTORS Minutes

Executive Board Meeting May 12, 2022 Virtual Via Zoom

Members in Attendance:

Board Members

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)

Members Absent:

Angie Lipelt, Mower Co., (F) President
Pam Flitter, Martin Co. (E)
Garry Johanson, Norman Co., (A) Vice President
Josh Johnston, Marshall Co., (A)
Dale Oolman, Steele Co., (F)

Others in Attendance

Call to Order

Attendance Roll Call
John Biren run meeting both chair and vice chair absent.

Approval of Agenda

MSP: Tim Nelson/Eric Hartman

Approval of Minutes: of the April 1, 2022 Meeting

MSP: Tim Nelson/Kyle Krier

Treasurer's Report – Eric Hartman

- Checking/Savings Account: \$1558.80/ \$30822.92
- Membership Report: 79/33
 - Reached out to outstanding Counties for membership

MSP: Kyle Krier/Tim Nelson

- 5/11 update: \$4393.90 checking balance, 80 voting 34 association 41 registrations-50 registered attendees. Budgeted 35 attendees.

Audit Committee Report

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

Old Business

- Spring Conference
 - 50 registrations
 - Everything set
 - Budget in line with previous under budget
- AMC Contract
 - Julie Ring affiliate contract
 - Writing a new contract in the fall. Take some time this summer and look at contract duties to make sure they are meeting needs.
 - Get ahead of the process
 - Dave happy with the service from AMC, you are very supportive.
 - Kyle, helpful that Becky is involved at other organizations.
 - At capacity brought on a project manager, looking at bringing another project manager in.
 - Brian-policy issues
 - Becky support
 - Webhosting-conference materials, very beneficial

New Business

- None

AMC Updates – Brian Martinson

- Legislative Update
 - 9 days left of legislative session
 - 22 bills passed and signed
 - Highest profile re-insurance bill
 - UI trust fund and frontline worker pay figuring out what that means for county workers
 - The vets omnibus bill
 - Only 1 was issue of interest. Township planning and zoning clarification.
 - Was a clarifying issue. There had been zoning authority in 366, but are also able to use 462, vast majority are using 462. Legislation removes township authority, lets clarify that municipal governs municipalities and townships.
 - A few special account bills
 - 404 permitting assumption-gather information fully analyze what assumption means for MN.
 - 2 items for public waters inventory. Renville County and landowners over drainage project public waters listed on inventory to be a mandatory EAW.
 - Also address putting new waters on the inventory. Local government should have opportunity to review and object.
 - House side \$\$ for DNR for aggregate mapping.
 - Manure storage inventory-delegated and non-delegated counties, county staff would have to inventory abandoned manure storage facilities. Got changes, bumping up \$\$ for Counties to do work to 700,000 extends timeline to January 2024, and only delegated counties responsible for that work. Also by the end of

this year Agency would have to analyze their data and provide counties with data within their jurisdiction.

- Permitting authority in a floodplain.
 - Wabasha County-West Newton Colony-fire in Mississippi
 - DNR said this isn't allowed you don't have authority. Adopt 462 in 394.
 - Lack of case law in the area. General non-conformity
 - Senate has West Colony language
 - House has general language.
- In a good spot with housing stuff
- Ag BMP positive changes
- 2 Mil for Noxious Weeds, 10,000 appropriation for counties with designated Ag Inspector
- Supplemental money for septic system replacement
 - Income/Project limit-struck out and directing 2 Mil to PCA as enhanced one-time money.
 - Had them remove requirement for 40,000 limits. So, you could get a bigger allotment through the regular program, but those details will work out.
- Energy Bill
 - Prevent local governments from prohibiting gas hookups.
 - Large Wind and Solar projects local approval would be required.
- Small subgroup for SSTS issues, met with Director of MPCA and laid out some of the issues.
- Invasive species-joined invasive species advisory council. Need more focused effort for volunteers to participate in those discussions.
- John-SSTS licensed list contractors maybe a bond issue, the list changes frequently, if not checking weekly may issue permit to someone who's license isn't valid.
 - Dave, similar issues, but similar issues with DOLI with building contractors.

MACPZA Committee Reports

- Legislative Committee – John Biren
 - Remind Legislative Committee will be adopting platform at annual meeting.
 - Conversation should be happening at district level if want to bring priority.
- Professional Development Committee – Dave Rush
 - Thanks to Brian and Becky for lining up this conference.
 - Round table discussions this afternoon
- By-Laws Committee – Josh Johnston
 - No update

Other Committee Reports

- SSTS Advisory – Chris LeClaire
 - No updates
 - Next meeting June 7
 - SSTS Workgroup-4 volunteers talked about experience with certification, healthy offline discussion on content of what is taught vs what is on the test.

- SIETF – Christine McCarthy
 - Done for the year
- BWSR - Work Group – Kyle Krier
 - No update

Discussion

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Other Business

- Updated from Becky

Adjourn

MSP: Kyle Krier/Eric Hartman

Next Meeting: August 5, 2022

Respectfully Submitted,

Kristi Gross
MACPZA Secretary