



Attendance:
Board of Directors

- ☒ President: Garry Johanson
- ☒ Vice President: VACANT
- ☒ Treasurer: Eric Hartman
- ☒ Secretary: Angie Berg
- ☐ Past President & Legislative Chair: Angie Lipelt

District Representatives

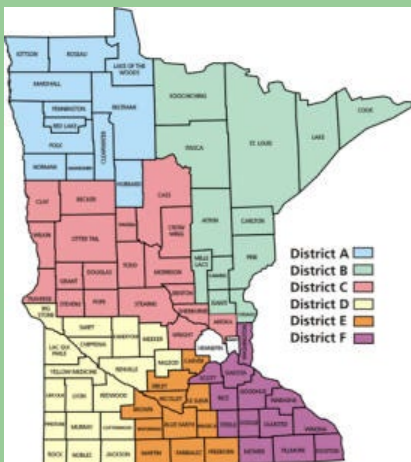
- ☒ District A: Dan Hecht
- ☒ District B: Andrew Carlstrom
- ☒ District C: Amy Kowalzek
- ☒ District D: Kyle Krier
- ☒ District E: Pam Flitter
- ☒ District F: Dale Oolman

District Alternates

- ☐ District A: Eric Buitenwerf
- ☐ District B: Chris Berg
- ☐ District C: Dave Rush
- ☒ District D: Darren Wilke
- ☐ District E: Robert Santaella
- ☐ District F: Samantha Pierret

Association of Minnesota Counties

- ☒ Brian Martinson
- ☐ Bob Libal



MACPZA Website: www.macpza.org

MACPZA Board Meeting

Thursday, October 2, 2024; 10AM

Willmar Conference Center

240 23rd Street SE, Willmar, MN 55201

MINUTES

Call to Order- President Johanson called the meeting to order at 10:01 AM

Attendance Roll Call- Secretary Berg conducted roll call and a quorum was present as documented in the roster. Others in attendance: Catherine Grondin, Dodge County; Jean Christoffels, Murray County.

Approval of Agenda

⇒ Motion to approve. MSP: Amy/Eric

Approval of Minutes

⇒ Motion to approve minutes from August 2, 2024. MSP: Pam/Dale

Treasurer's Report – Treasurer Hartman presented the checking account (\$7,511.15) and savings balances (\$20,398.26) Certificate of Deposit (\$15,000 9-month CD 4.84% interest expire November 9, 2024). Report date 9/19/24. There are 79 voting members and 39 associate members. The report is hereby incorporated into the minutes as **Exhibit A**. Motion to approve Treasurer's Report and Membership Report. MSP: Pam/Angie B.

2025 Budget was reviewed. No change from the August meeting. Brian confirmed that the proposed AMC increase in dues to \$15,000 is accurate. AMC is relooking at levels of service. A question was asked related to the levels: administrative, legislative, financial, etc. Various affiliates have different levels of service. For example, AMC has SWAAA plan most of their annual conference. Brian stated that it would be helpful for AMC to be part of the conference planning committee in the future.

Fall conference payment registrations: 48 out of the 57 are paid. There are 8 counties that overpaid for the conference. Discussion was had related to the trends of some of the younger generation. Should time of year be reconsidered due to other conferences- SWAA, MACFO, etc. Districts will discuss this at their next district meeting and the Board of Directors Meeting in February.

The Audit Committee report was given by Kyle Krier. A few minor tweaks were made. Eric does a great job each month. A thank you to the audit committee for their time reviewing the books each month. The spreads

⇒ Motion to approve Audit Committee Report. MSP: Amy/Pam

Old Business- Fall Conference. Jean Christoffels reviewed the agenda. There is no organized dinner on Wednesday. There will be a tour of a golf course followed up by a stop at Goat Ridge Brewery. A bus will be provided to these events. Corn hole tournament will be held on Wednesday night.

New Business

1. Nominating Committee Report. President Johanson and Treasurer Hartman. VP Gross resigned from Olmsted County therefore her role as VP of MACPZA is vacant. President Johanson will continue as President for another year; VP Lipelt will remain as Past President/Legislative Chair. Amy Kowalzek, VP candidate for 2025 has agreed to take on the VP position a year early should she be voted VP at the Annual Meeting. MSP: Angie B/Eric. District C will need to replace Amy which will occur at their December meeting.
2. Discussed demolition landfills and changes occurring at MPCA.

AMC Updates – Brian Martinson

- Fall policy conference was held September 11-13 at Arrowwood. Each committee identifies their priorities for the year. District meetings will be held in the coming weeks and the priorities will be voted on. The Environment and Natural Resources Committee identified two goals:
 1. AMC supports funding and policy to support comprehensive and innovative solid waste management systems, including SCORE, C&D management, E-waste/Batteries, Solid Waste Capital Assistance Program, Waste-To-Energy and emerging technologies.
 2. AMC supports policy and funding to build new and enhance existing flood mitigation and storage systems to minimize impact to private property, public infrastructure and protect water quality.
- There is a long list of flood mitigation projects. Storage and flooding are priorities in certain areas of the state.
- Brian will partner with Matt Hilgard on tax forfeited properties. Northern Counties Land Use Coordinating Board have talked to Brian about conservation easements. If they come back through tax forfeited properties, they are wondering if the county would be responsible maintaining the easements.
- An AMC update will be given at the Annual Meeting on October 3, 2024.
- Omstead is concerned about urban service areas. Rochester and surrounding committees are having conflicts between growth. Urban service areas have been created and now are there are conflicts. Moorhead may have similar issues.
- MACPZA's funding to AMC would permit up to 1 bill to run through the legislature.

MACPZA Committee Reports

Legislative Committee- Brian Martinson briefly reviewed. Cannabis will no longer be prioritized. Funding for state mandated programs under the NRBG is new. A full review will be given at the Annual Meeting.

Professional Development Committee –No update was provided. President Johanson will talk to Dave Rush about some ideas related to spring conference. There are funds to hire a speaker.

By-Laws Committee –By-Laws Committee Chair Dan Hecht will present the changes at the Annual Meeting. No major changes proposed.

Other Committee Reports

SSTS Advisory – There was no meeting to report on.

SIETF – There was no meeting to report on.

Discussion

There was general discussion about the lack of contractors in some areas of the state. Septic compliance rates throughout the state is about 75%.

Protected water inventory will be a concern for many areas of the state. The result came out of the drainage committee report. If reclassified as a protected water, buffers will apply. It is not anticipated that shoreland classification will change. Appeals will be to district court. There are no administrative appeals built into the legislation.

Adjourn- ➡ Motion to adjourn at 11:39. MSP: Eric/Angie B.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, December 10th. 9:30am. Double Tree Hotel, Bloomington. Atrium 1 (Second Floor). 7800 Normandale Blvd, Mnpls.