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MICHIGAN SOCIETY OF PROFESSIONAL SURVEYORS SOUTHEAST CHAPTER



September 08, 2016 Membership Meeting Minutes

8:00 PM

1. Regular Membership Meeting Call to Order

The September 08, 2016 meeting of the Membership of the Southeast Chapter of the Michigan Society of Professional Surveyors was called to order at 8:45 PM by President Scott Roth PS. The meeting was held at DeCarlos Banquet & Convention Center, 6015 E 10 Mile Road, Warren, Michigan 48091. The speaker for the evening's education presentation was Dana Bailey, RLS, of *Digital Dirt LLC*. The presentation was on surveying and digital modeling for machine control. The Membership Business meeting followed with self-introductions.

2. Review of Agenda

President Roth stated that the agenda had been reviewed and approved during the Board Meeting.

3. Review of the May Board of Directors and Membership Meeting Minutes

President Roth stated that the May minutes had been reviewed and approved during the Board Meeting

4. Treasurer's Report (Greg Ash PS)

Greg provided a brief report of the current assets and a summary of expenses supported by balance sheets. There is \$3,718.00 in checking and \$20,170.00 in savings and \$50.00 in petty cash. Both boat races need to be invoiced and the payments sent to Greg. The amounts are \$2,000 for the Pontiac Lake race and \$3,000.00 for the Detroit race.

5. State Highlights Report (Karl Brandys)

Karl reported that an event planner to assist in the organization of the annual meeting has been chosen and will have a two year contract.

The roof of the MSPS State office has been inspected and worked on, it is in good shape now.

It was mentioned that new rates for recording documents at county register of deeds offices will be in effect October 1.

The 2018 and 2019 annual meetings will be held at the Grand Traverse Resort, Traverse City.

The Seminar Committee has a Fall Seminar planned, notice has been sent. The seminar is on Oct. 28 and 29. A November Lunch and Learn webinar is also being developed.

LARA will be sending out notices next week for the audit of 5% of professional surveyor licensees.

6. NSPS Report (None)

7. Committees Reports

Boat Races – Karol Grove PS reported that both races "*Quake on the Lake*" races at Pontiac Lake and the Detroit Boat Races on the Detroit River went well. However, there is still trouble obtaining enough volunteers to aid in the preparation and maintenance of the courses. There will be discussion regarding the possibility of raising the rate to both races next year, perhaps \$5,000.00 per race. It was also mentioned that there was trouble acquiring shirts and hats for the race, these items had been given to the volunteers in the past and it will be mentioned to the race officials that these are desired as part of our agreement for our professional involvement.

Young Surveyors - Brett Hollandsworth reported that they have held their first social event which was attending a Lansing Lugnuts baseball game, a second event will be a golf outing.

Science Olympiad – The committee is looking to have new questions developed for the exams; some of the older questions are no longer applicable.

Golf Outing – Gary Chalice PS reported that 46 golfers participated this year; the event was held at Bruce Hills again. The weather was great and everyone seemed to have a good time.

Chapter Picnic – Greg Ash PS reported the picnic was attended by 20 people, "Karol Grove did a great job with the games", and it was a nice day with good food. The committee would like to see more people attend next year.

8. Correspondence (None)

9. Unfinished Business

MSPS SE Chapter Survey – Jason Verran suggested we make minor changes to the survey prior to sending to membership. Larry Feindt PS mentioned that the MSPS State society was about to send a survey also; we should make sure they do not coincide causing a conflict or confusion. Jason will put the survey together and will email it to the board.

2018 – 2019 MSPS Annual Meeting – The 2018 and 2019 annual meetings will be held at the Grand Traverse Resort, Traverse City. The southeast Chapter will be hosting in 2019.

10. New Business – 2016 Elections. Three positions will be vacated this election Larry Feindt PS, Karl Brandys PS and Don DeKeyser PS. If anyone is interested in running for one of the vacancies, please let Scot Roth PS know.

Dave Miller of Nowak and Fraus spoke regarding the equipment thefts in the city of Detroit. He noted that there seems to be more sophistication in the methods utilized in the thievery and that the instruments that are stolen are showing up in foreign countries. Dave opined that a letter should be drafted and be backed by the Southeast

Chapter Board of MSPS to be sent to the Police Chief and Mayor of the City of Detroit. In addition, Dave believes that a meeting with the Mayor would be something we should strive to attain. Greg Ash PS motioned that we have Dave Miller draft a letter on behalf of the Chapter for the Board to review which can be sent to the City of Detroit. Karol Grove PS seconded the motion. The motion passed by a general membership voice vote. President Roth acknowledged that the motion passed.

It was pointed out that any nominations for Surveyor of the past should be made fairly soon.

11. Good of the Order – Karol Grove PS spoke regarding the TWIST program. She said that educators that teach the 6th through 12th grades will be recruited for the first training. She is looking for companies to sponsor a teacher to become a "teacher of teachers" for the program.

Joe Bishop PS suggested a moment of silent prayer for John Fenn's wife, Lynn Fenn who died recently, and for each other as fellow surveyors.

12. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at approximately 9:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Gary M. Chalice PS