



## **EASTERN NEW YORK SOCIETY OF LAND SURVEYORS INCORPORATED**

Charter Affiliate of the New York State Association of Professional Land Surveyors

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### **MINUTES**

#### **EASTERN NEW YORK SOCIETY OF LAND SURVEYORS BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING March 10, 2022**

Virtual Meeting by phone and PC  
Due to COVID-19 Pandemic gathering restrictions

President Strom called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

Present: Jason Peterson, James Vianna, Dwayne Cooper, Lawrence O'Connor, Kaleb Winters, Brie Strom, Jason Tommell and Ashley Metz

Absent: Randel Paquin, Pat VanHaverbeke, Richard Palmer, Kristen Darrah and Lucas Boyer

#### **Secretary's Report: Dwayne Cooper**

- The February 2022 meeting minutes were presented to and reviewed by the BOD. A motion to accept the minutes was made by Jim Vianna, seconded by Kaleb Winters. A vote was held, and the motion passed.

#### **Treasurer's Report: Jim Vianna**

- Jim reported to the BOD on the LPL account balance and the Bank account balance.
- ENYSLS received a check from NYSAPLS in the amount of \$60 for membership renewals.
- Kaleb has been reimbursed \$18.17 for Domain Renewal to Jaguar PC and \$45.02 for web site fees.
- Jim put together a budget based on past years expenses. Highlights of the budget include: \$1,200 for May membership meeting, \$800 for NYSAPLS CE webinar, \$200 for website fees, \$750 for NYSAPLS conference and \$520 for BOD expenses. A discussion was held on whether or not a motion was needed for budget.

#### **MTS Report: Jim Vianna**

- Jason Larson has been appointed the new chair. There has been no more action on the MTS standards, with the hopes that things will begin to progress this year.

#### **President's Report: Brie Strom**

- Brie reported that some progress has been made on the newsletter. She said she hopes to have a finalized draft completed early next week.

#### **Executive Vice President's Report: Jason Peterson**

- Jason reported that Soldiers to Surveyors has received confirmation from Fort Drum that the event will take place on May 5<sup>th</sup> and that Soldiers to Surveyors will have a table. Heather from NYSAPLS will be the point of

contact and NYSAPLS is putting together a flyer. Maine Technical Source is loaning some equipment to display and demonstrate for the day.

**Vice President's Report: Lucas Boyer**

- No report

**Past President's Report: Kaleb Winters**

- Kaleb reported that he took a look at past minute and doesn't believe that a motion is needed for approving budgets.

## **Standing Committee Reports**

**Calibration Base Line (ad hoc):** Randy Paquin and Rick Palmer

- No report

**Constitution and By-Laws:** Larry O'Connor

**Continuing Education:** Jody Lounsbury, Charles Lent and Eric Crampton

**Ethical Practices:** Larry O'Connor, Jeff Ostertag and Charles Lent

**Finance:** Carl Rigdon and Chris Czerw

**Legislative:** Larry O'Connor

**Program:** Randy Paquin

**Public Relations:** Jody Lounsbury, Eric Crampton and Brie Strom

**Scholastic Development:** Randy Paquin and Kristen Darrah

**Business Practice and Technical Information:** Chris Czerw

**Membership:** Robert Wilklow and Steve Dickson

**Website:** Brie Strom, Dwayne Cooper and Charles Lent

**Old Business:**

- A discussion was held on NYSDOT's new policy of not providing right of way information. Kaleb noted that NYSDOT has begun to fill vacancies. It is unclear if filling vacancies will change the current policy.
- Jim, Brie and Kaleb said that they will set up a time to meet and sign new cards. Jim stated that he has all the paperwork gathered up.

**New Business:**

- A discussion was held on Certified Floodplain Surveyors for New York State. Kaleb stated that he felt the email was intended to give the topic exposure and to try and gain traction. The consensus was to have Brie and Jason bring it up to Patty Brooks at the next NYSAPLS BOD meeting.
- A discussion was held on whether or not to have an in person BOD meeting in April. It was decided to hold an in person meeting with the option of those not able or comfortable meeting in person to join virtually. Jim said he would contact the Mill and make reservations for April 14<sup>th</sup>.

- Brie gave a summary of a package of documents that she and the ethics committee received. After a discussion it was decided that there is no ethics violation, the situation is just a property line dispute. Brie said that she would follow up with the person that sent the information.
- March 20-26 is National Surveyors Week. Kaleb noted that several employees at DEC were going to be involved in a media campaign to promote it.
- Jim asked if NYSAPLS has taken a position on the U.S. Survey Foot being dropped in favor of International Foot. Brie stated that she didn't recall hearing anything about it at last NYSAPLS BOD meeting. Kaleb shared a link that stated the U.S. Survey Foot will not be used after December 31<sup>st</sup>.

**Upcoming Events:**

- 3/10/2022 2nd Showing (Live Broadcast) "Surveying and Description Methods: New York State Comparison with US Public Land Survey System" @ 7pm
- 3/11/2022-3/12/2022 NYS-Specific LS Exam Spring Review workshop, By Joseph Paiva at Hyatt Place, Malta, NY
- 3/18/2022 NYSAPLS Board of Directors Meeting, Virtual
- 3/25/2022 YP Panel Discussion: Tips & Tricks Learned on the Job
- 4/1/2022 Friday Webinar Wetland Protection in NYS
- 4/14/2022 ENYSLS BOD Meeting @ 5:30 pm.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Kaleb Winters, seconded by Larry O'Connor. A vote was held, and the motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dwayne A. Cooper, PLS  
ENYSLS Secretary

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