



EASTERN NEW YORK SOCIETY OF LAND SURVEYORS INCORPORATED

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MINUTES

EASTERN NEW YORK SOCIETY OF LAND SURVEYORS BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING March 14, 2024

Ravenswood Pub
Clifton Park, NY

President Meisler called the meeting to order at 5:43 p.m.

Present: Kaleb Winters, Richard Palmer, Dave Schmidt, Brie Meisler, Dwayne Cooper, James Vianna, and Luke Richardson.

Absent: Lawrence O'Connor, Lucas Boyer, Jason Tommell, Jason Peterson, Timothy Huggins and Ralph Hill.

Secretary's Report: Dwayne Cooper

- Dwayne reported that he had updated the letterhead with the current officers and updated the historic records list on the website.
- Dwayne presented the February proposed meeting minutes. A motion to accept the February meeting minutes was made by Jim Vianna, seconded by Kaleb Winters. A vote was held, and the motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Jim Vianna

- Jim provided an update on the LPL account balance and the Bank account balance.
- Income in the amount of \$60 in NYSAPLS dues and expenditures of \$248.65 for the February BOD meeting and \$163.53 for the website domain renewal.
- Jim reported that he E-filed with the IRS.

MTS Report: Jim Vianna

- Jim reported that there has been no movement.

President's Report: Brie Meisler

- Thank you to Jim for the proposed budget.
- Thank you to Dave for performing the annual financial audit. Dave had a few suggestions/comments and Jim addressed them.
- Brie reported that she had submitted her application to become a proctor for CST exams. ENYSLS is offering a CST exam on May 18th at the Colliers Engineering & Design office.
- The next NYSAPLS meeting is March 14th and Brie and Kaleb said they were planning on attending.

Executive Vice President's Report: Jason Peterson

- No report

Vice President's Report: Lucas Boyer

- No report

Past President's Report: Kaleb Winters

- Kaleb reported that National Surveyors Week starts on Sunday and that DEC was having a social media blitz planned for the week with daily posts.
- Kaleb talked about the New York State HELPS program which no longer requires applicants to take and pass a Civil Service exam for open competitive openings.
- Promotional Civil Service exams are free for the next two years.

Standing Committee Reports

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

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 Meisler

Scholastic Development: Randy Paquin and Kristen Darrah

Business Practice and Technical Information: Chris Czerw

Membership: Robert Wilklow and Steve Dickson

Website: Brie Meisler, Dwayne Cooper and Charles Lent

Old Business:

- Final Point for Don Capenter. Jim reported that he was waiting on Art Carpenter to provide the approximate coordinates for the location. Jim said he would follow up with Art.
- September minutes are waiting for details on Fort Drum from Jason Peterson to finalize. Dwayne said he would reach out to Jason.
- Domain Renewal. Kaleb used debit card to renew the domain for nine years.
- Audit. Dave completed an audit of the financial records. He sent Brie and Jim a summary of his findings. The only outstanding item was a question on a \$10 entry. Jim said he believes that it was an error on the excel table.
- CST exam. ENYSLS is going to host a CST exam on May 18th at the Colliers Engineering & Design offices. Brie said she would include a mention of the exam on the email she was planning on sending out to the membership. Dwayne said he would send out a letter to the heads of the companies listed on the proprietors list.
- Binding Arbitration. Jim said he is ready to put on a talk about the process. He will present the program to the membership at the May meeting.

New Business:

- Program for May meeting. Jim will give a presentation on Northern’s Binding Arbitration process.
- Budget. ENYSLS broke even last year. Jim added two \$400 line items to cover NYSAPLS continuing education First Friday webinar re-broadcasts.

Upcoming Events:

- 3/15/2024 NYSAPLS BOD meeting in Saratoga Springs
- 4/5/2024 First Friday Webinar – Aerial Mapping Ground Control Best Practices
- 5/3/2024 First Friday Webinar FEMA Letter of Map Amendment (LOMAs).

A motion to temporarily adjourn the meeting was made by Luke Richardson, seconded by Rick Palmer. A vote was held, and the motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:32 p.m.

President Meisler called the General Membership meeting to order at 7:15 p.m. and gave the membership a review of the NYSDOT website with new features, told the membership of the CST exam that ENYSLS is hosting May 18th and reported that Jim will give a presentation on Northern’s Arbitration process at the May membership meeting. President Meisler then introduced Devin Larson, PLS who gave a presentation on drone capabilities and matching them to your needs.

A motion was made by Randy Paquin to adjourn the meeting, the motion was seconded by Luke Richardson.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dwayne Cooper, PLS
ENYSLS Secretary

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