

EASTERN NEW YORK SOCIETY OF LAND SURVEYORS

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MINUTES BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Thursday, November 13, 2008 Crossgates Restaurant, Albany, NY

President Whimple called the meeting to order at 5:39 P.M.

Present were: Bill Whimple, Gordy Matson, Kurt Heiss, Kevin Waldruff, Kristin Demers, Eric Crampton, Bill Darling, Howie Johannessen, and Carl Rigdon.

Absent were: Bob Ihlenburg, Don Darrah, Joe Malinowski, and Matthew Bowe.

Secretary's Report: Kurt Heiss

The minutes of the October 2008 BOD meeting were reviewed. A motion to accept the minutes was made by Howie Johannessen, seconded by Kevin Waldruff, motion approved.

Treasurer's Report: Bob Ihlenburg

A written report was submitted (attached). Treasurer Ihlenburg also reported that he had received the NYSAPLS Dues check. The Treasurer's Report, as submitted, seems to have some inconsistencies. Discussion of the Treasurer's report was tabled until next month's meeting.

President's Report: Bill Whimple

- President Whimple mentioned that there were members interested in serving on committees. January is normally committee sign-up time and this will be addressed then.
- Michael J. Ostermeyer, an attorney from Wisconsin, will be editing the third edition of "Land Surveys: A Guide for Lawyers and Other Professionals". He is soliciting input from Licensed Land Surveyors for the update especially needed are articles on the following topics: Advances in Rectified Orthophotography; Disclosure Practices; Third-party Survey Coordination; Condominium Certification; and Surveying Issues Relating to Alternative Energy Development. Anyone interested in more information or getting involved with the project should contact Mr. Osterman at Quarles & Brady, LLP, 411 East Wisconsin Ave., Suite 2040, Milwaukee, WI 53202 mjo@quarles.com 414-277-5521
- President Whimple mentioned that there are some entries on the Proprietor List that need to be edited/removed. Secretary Heiss will investigate.
- President Whimple asked the location of the ENYSLS Lapel Pins / Tie Tacks it is believed Treasurer Ihlenburg may have them.
- NYSAPLS will be holding an open house on Friday November 21, 2008 a wine and cheese reception before the NYSAPLS BOD meeting.
- President Whimple had a stack of mail from the P.O. Box. Two Proprietor list applications were reviewed and passed to Secretary Heiss for additional investigation. We received thank-you notes from the Family of Carol Denison and the family of Louis Gnip thanking us for cards and remembrances. We also received notes from the Malta Ridge Rescue Squad and Niskayuna Fire Department thanking us for the memorial

donations.

There will be a 50th Anniversary Celebration Reception at the NYSAPLS Conference on January 14, 2008 – to be held in the NYS Museum. All full registrations will receive a complimentary ticket. NYSAPLS is looking for Regionals to sponsor "areas" of the Museum for the reception. A motion was made by Kevin Waldruff to sponsor an area, seconded by Kristin Demers and passed.

Executive Vice-President's Report: Gordy Matson: Nothing to Report

Vice-President's Report: Kevin Waldruff – Nothing to Report

Committee Reports:

----Standing Committees----

Constitution & By-Laws: Bob Ihlenburg: No Report

<u>Scholastic Development</u>: Kristin Demers:

Kristin reported that the committee is looking for volunteers to interview students at five schools (Alfred State, Paul Smith's, MVCC, HVCC and the Ranger School). Volunteers need not be alumni of those schools. Please contact Kristin if you are interested.

Ethics and Business Practices: Howie Johannessen:

A potential ethics issue was discussed and tabled pending further investigation/information.

A previously investigated ethics issue seems to have resurfaced. This issue was also tabled pending further investigation.

Continuing Education: Jody Lounsbury: No report

Finance: Bill Darling:

The Finance Committee reported that a large portion of the funds in our Uvest account are in a money market (e.g. not all in stocks), and the committee recommended that ENYSLS keep the Uvest account as it is to ride out the financial crisis.

Membership: Gordy Matson – Nothing to Report

Legislative: Howie Johannessen:

Howie mentioned he had reviewed the recently passed Adverse Possession law and was keeping abreast of other legislation.

Program: Bill Whimple:

President Whimple will schedule the State Police Investigator for the January meeting, and we will plan to hold this meeting at The Factory in Ballston Spa. The December BOD meeting will be at the CHA offices.

Public Relations: Nothing to Report

<u>Technical Information</u>: Eric Crampton – Nothing to Report

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Treasurer: Robert J. Ihlenburg Past President - Joseph Malinowski

Website and Archival Information: Kurt Heiss - Nothing to Report

Old Business:

No Old Business.

New Business:

The Board spent a few minutes discussing the economic situation in the country and local region and how it may affect Land Surveyors.

The Board temporarily adjourned at 6:47 P.M. for dinner and the Member Meeting and Elections.

At the Annual Meeting, the following members were elected to terms on the Board of Directors: Gordon Matson, Howard Johannessen, Lawrence O'Connor, and Kristin Demers.

The Board reconvened in order to hold the election of Officers for 2009. The following officers were elected:

SECRETARY: Kurt Heiss (nominated by Bill Whimple, Seconded by Eric Crampton)

TREASURER: Robert Ihlenburg (nominated by Bill Whimple, Seconded by Kevin Waldruff)

VICE-PRESIDENT: Kevin Waldruff (nominated by Bill Whimple, seconded by Howie Johannessen)

EXECUTIVE VICE-PRESIDENT: Gordon Matson (nominated by Bill Whimple, seconded by Kurt Heiss)

PRESIENT: Howard Johannessen (nominated by Bill Whimple, seconded by Bill Darling)

One ballot was cast by the Secretary for the full slate of officers.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:31 P.M.

The next meeting of the ENYSLS Board of Directors will be held on Thursday, December 11th, 2008 at the offices of Clough Harbor and Associates.

Respectfully Submitted, Kurt J. Heiss, LS ENYSLS Secretary heisskj953@roadrunner.com

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