



**EASTERN NEW YORK SOCIETY OF LAND SURVEYORS  
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**MINUTES**  
**GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING**  
Thursday, May 14, 2009  
The Factory Eatery, Ballston Spa, NY

President Johannessen mentioned that meeting minutes from the last few meetings had been approved.

President Johannessen discussed the current economy and the financial situation in the Society. The 2009 budget was discussed, and it was mentioned that the treasurer's reports and approved budget will be attached to the May 2009 BOD Meeting Minutes on the website.

**President's Report:** Howie Johannessen

Brad Beeler from MTS donated a number of items for the raffle, and these items will be raffled off tonight.

President Johannessen reported on the following State Level issues:

- The NYSAPLS strategic plan has been approved.
- A State Specific review course is being developed, and will be available within a year.
- The theme of the 2010 conference will be along the lines of Subdivision Approvals.
- The 2009 conference was not as well attended as in past years – 766 total registrants. The 2010 and 2011 conferences will be held at the Turningstone.
- A new NYSAPLS sponsored health insurance plan for small businesses and sole proprietors has been announced, and information is circulating from the central office.

**Membership:** Gordy Matson:

Gordy phoned in the latest membership information. We have 46 Associate Members, 120 Regular Members, 4 Honorary Members, and 1 Intern Member - 26 of those are currently listed as "unpaid" by the central office.

**Old Business:**

Charlie Hartnett raised the issue of the NYSPLS Conference, and that they may have experienced lower attendance numbers two conferences ago since that conference was held in Niagara Falls.

**New Business:**

Charlie Hartnett suggested the Society try to boost attendance at the meetings. Less and less people seem to be coming (possibly due to the economy). He also suggested that people coming from the same areas call others in the area to carpool to the meetings.

Following the General Membership Meeting and Dinner, Jim Vianna, Camp Superintendent of the Colvin Crew presented a certificate and full membership in the Colvin Crew to ENYSLS Secretary Kurt Heiss for his time and efforts designing the Colvin Crew Website. Jim also presented a certificate of thanks to the Eastern New York Society of Land Surveyors for their financial support of the new website, and this certificate was accepted by President Johannessen. Jim Vianna then gave an excellent presentation on Verplanck Colvin and the Colvin Crew.

**The next ENYSLS General Membership will be held on Thursday, September 10th, 2009 at a location to be announced.**

Respectfully Submitted,  
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