



**EASTERN NEW YORK SOCIETY OF LAND SURVEYORS  
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**MINUTES**

**EASTERN NEW YORK SOCIETY OF LAND SURVEYORS  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
September 12, 2019**

Rustic Barn Pub  
150 Speigletown Road  
Troy, NY 12182

President Winters called the meeting to order at 5:40 pm

Present were: Kaleb Winters, Ralph Hill, Jim Vianna, Dwayne Cooper, Rick Palmer, Randy Paquin, Chuck Lent and Brie Strom

Absent: Larry O'Connor, Pat VanHaverbeke, Nick Lehman, Lucas Boyer and Kristin Darrah

**Secretary's Report: Dwayne Cooper**

- The August 2019 BOD meeting minutes were presented to and reviewed by the BOD. A motion to accept the minutes was made by Randy Paquin, seconded by Jim Vianna. The motion was passed and the minutes accepted.

**Treasurer's Report: Jim Vianna**

- Jim reported to the BOD on the LPL account balance and the Bank account balance.
- ENYSLS received a dues check from NYSAPLS for all members that renewed and new members that have joined.
- ENYSLS will be sponsoring the Door prize (a floral arrangement) at the Thursday luncheon at the upcoming Annual Conference as well as taking out a Conference Journal ad.
- Jim is going to contact NYSAPLS and reserve the sponsorship for the Pocket Calendar for next year's Conference.
- The deadline for this year's Conference Journal ad is November 21, 2019. Jim said he will reach out to NYSAPLS just before the deadline to get the most up-to-date member list and update last year's Journal ad and submit to NYSAPLS before the deadline.

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

- Brad Gerard of Abacus Information Systems, Inc. in Albany looking to sponsor ENYSLS dinner.
- Registration open for NYSAPLS Conference - January 22-24, 2020 at Turning Stone Resort. There have been some new courses added for the upcoming Conference, one of which is a presentation on the New York State GIS Clearinghouse by Frank Winters.
- NYS Civil Service Land Surveyor Series Exam will be announced September 27, 2019, applications due October 30 and exam held December 14. There will be 4 exams offered ranging from Assistant Land Surveyor I to Land Surveyor.
- New Legislation is being considered by the Governor which would require an Associates degree or higher to apply for the LS exam. It would go into effect 8.5 years after being signed.
- NYSAPLS needs committee members 3 Strategic Planning, 2 Membership, 2 Public Relations

### **Executive Vice President's Report: Randy Paquin**

- 8/24 Colvin Crew recovered the NEC Township 40 corner. Randy got some very good pictures.

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

- Nothing to report.

## **Standing Committee Reports**

### **Calibration Base Line (ad hoc):** Randy Paquin, Rick Palmer, and Richard Bennett

- Randy will follow up with the legal department at NYSPRHP to make sure everything is in order to proceed with the installation of the concrete piers this fall.
- The project should be run through NYSAPLS for insurance purposes rather than ENYSLS.
- Randy has informally mentioned the project at past NYSAPLS meetings.
- Randy will inquire where to get the disks to set in the concrete.

### **Constitution and By-Laws:** Larry O'Connor and Bill Schrae

### **Continuing Education:** Jody Lounsbury, Chuck Lent, and Eric Crampton

- Chuck reported that Joanne Darcy Crum expressed an interest in presenting at a future membership meeting.

### **Ethics Practice:** Jim Vianna, Larry O'Connor, Jeff Ostertag, and Kevin Rounds

### **Finance:** Carl Rigdon, Bill Darling, and Chris Czerw

### **Legislative:** Larry O'Connor

### **Program:** Randy Paquin and Gary Mitchell

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

### **Scholastic Development:** Randy Paquin and Kristin Darrah

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

### **Membership:** Robert Wilklow and Steve Dickson

**Website:** Ralph Hill

- There was discussion on possibly hiring Abacus Information Systems, Inc. to create the new ENYSLS website.

**Old Business:**

- In Sky Aerial \$795 one day course at SCCC. Kaleb is going to follow up with NYSAPLS and get an update on the complaint that was filed.
- Jim reported that the Minimum Technical Standards draft has been completed. It is going to be presented to NYSAPLS at the September Executive Board Meeting. Upon review by NYSAPLS, it will be distributed to the Regions for their review and comments. Comments by individual members should be made to their Regions NYSAPLS representative, who will compile a list of comments to submit to NYSAPLS for review and consideration. After comments have been reviewed, the MTS Committee will make revisions, as necessary, and submit a final report to NYSAPLS.

**New Business:**

- Location for October 10 BOD meeting to be determined.
- Location for November 14 Annual meeting to be determined.
- Jim reported that he attended the Annual Vermont Conference. While there, he attended an 8 hour course on stone walls. He reported that it was very interesting and informative, providing attendees a history of stone walls ranging from their geology, how to age them and how to build and restore them.
- At the end of the year there will be 3 Regular and 1 Associate member positions open on the BOD. Anyone interested in running should submit a short biography to the President or Secretary, which will be mailed out to the membership for a vote.
- Chuck Lent submitted a Daily Gazette article on boundary surveys costing \$100-\$600 and mortgage surveys costing \$500. The NYSAPLS Executive Board is going to pass it on to the Public Relations Committee.
- Jason Peterson's inquiry to NYSOP about proposed contours being allowed by LS in 1997. What can be done about exemptions and practicing without an exemption. He is currently waiting to hear from NYSOP with their response and guidance on what can be done. Jim suggested that Jason should prepare a report containing a summary of the situation, a timeline and copies of all pertinent documents which he should submit to NYSAPLS as well. Kaleb offered to submit the report at the next NYSAPLS Executive Board Meeting for Jason.
- Next NYSAPLS BOD Meeting to be held Friday September 20th at the Embassy Suites by Hilton, 86 Congress St., Saratoga Springs, NY 12866 from 7:30 – 10:00 pm and is open to all members. There will be a cocktail/networking hour from 5:30 – 6:30 pm with a cash bar and a \$25 light dinner buffet from 6:30 – 7:30 pm preceding the meeting.
- Membership Meeting topic was a rebroadcast of the first Friday webinar entitled "Automated Machine Guidance and the Professional Surveyor" presented by Mike Momrow. Following the webinar, President Winters gave a summary of the BOD meeting to the membership.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Bill Whimple, seconded by Ralph Hill. The Meeting adjourned at 8:06 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dwayne A. Cooper  
ENYSLS Secretary

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