



**EASTERN NEW YORK SOCIETY OF LAND SURVEYORS
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MINUTES

**EASTERN NEW YORK SOCIETY OF LAND SURVEYORS
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
March 11, 2021**

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

President Winters called the meeting to order at 5:34 pm

Present: Kaleb Winters, Jim Vianna, Dwayne Cooper, Larry O'Connor, Rick Palmer, Randy Paquin,
Chuck Lent, Lucas Boyer and Brie Strom

Absent: Jason Peterson, Pat VanHaverbeke, Nick Lehman and Kristin Darrah

Secretary's Report: Dwayne Cooper

- The February 2011 BOD meeting minutes were presented to and reviewed by the BOD. A motion to accept the minutes was made by Jim Vianna and seconded by Lucas Boyer. A vote was taken, and the motion passed.
- Dwayne reported that Eric from Pixelheap stated that we are free to move a different host at any point, but he asked that we stay with Pixelheap for 1 year beyond our free year that ends December of 2021.

Treasurer's Report: Jim Vianna

- Jim reported to the BOD on the LPL account balance and the Bank account balance.
- Jim reported a receipt of \$10 from NYSAPLS for a new Associate member.
- Jim also reported that there is an outstanding check for \$100 which was in memorial to Rich Bennett. Jim said that he has made several attempts to contact the Cancer Society to check on the status of cashing the check. A discussion was held, and it was decided that if Jim doesn't get a response from the Cancer Society that he should cancel the check and issue a new one to a different charity with the input of Pat Bennett. Possibly the Multiple Myeloma Research Foundation.

Minimum Technical Standards

- Jim reported on February 10th NYSAPLS sent out a letter to Regionals asking if they would like a meeting to review the MTS. Jim stated that there was also a FAQ letter sent out, he said he would check with Amber about getting it on the NYSAPLS website.

ENYSLS newsletter

- The newsletter has been put together and is ready to be sent out to the members. Jim stated that he felt it would be good to show the members that we have been meeting and working on the members behalf.

Mapping the Mountains- a program with Maureen Jones being offered by the Warren County Historical Society.

- Jim reported on a free program that will be offered by the Warren County Historical Society.

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: Warren County Historical Society Hosts “Mapping the Mountains” Program with Maureen Jones

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The Warren County Historical Society will host a program, “Mapping the Mountains,” presented by Maureen Jones on Wednesday, March 24 at 7pm via Zoom. Ms. Jones, an educator and historian, curated an exhibit about antique surveying equipment, topographical maps, ledgers, and ephemera of historical surveyors which will be on display at the Society, 50 Gurney Lane, Queensbury from April 1 to June 1. The items in the display are from the archives and collection of the Hadley-Lake Luzerne Historical Society.

The event is free and open to the public. Please email secretary@wcnys.org or call 518-743-0734 by March 23 to get the Zoom link.

The mission of the WCHS is to promote the history and heritage of Warren County and its environs by supporting research and preservation efforts and encouraging public participation. Chartered in 1997, the Society offers a museum and exhibits, a resource center, collections and archives, historical programs, research and genealogy, local history publishing, a quarterly history newsletter, student internships, community history, and a book and gift shop. The WCHS will be reopening to the public on April 1: Tuesdays and Thursdays 9am to 4pm, Fridays 10am to 4pm, Saturdays 11am to 2pm. Follow on Facebook and Twitter or visit the website wcnys.org.

President’s Report: Kaleb Winters

- Kaleb brought up removing the name of the member from the May and August minutes. A discussion was held, and it was decided that the name should be removed from the minutes. Larry made a motion to remove the name and Randy seconded the motion. A vote was held, and the motion passed.
- enysls.org domain will auto renew on March 12 for \$18.17 for one year (was \$14.95 2018-2020)
- National Surveyors Week March 17 - 27, 2021 (Global Surveyor’s Day March 23, 2021). Kaleb stated that he started an initiative at his workplace to celebrate with online campaign.

Executive Vice President’s Report: Brie Strom

- No report.

Vice President's Report: Lucas Boyer

- No report.

Past President's Report: Randy Paquin

- No report.

Standing Committee Reports

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

Pattersonville updates

- Randy said that he is going to talk with the attorneys at the Parks Department for guidance.

Website Redesign (ad hoc): Brie Strom, Chuck Lent and Dwayne Cooper

- Dwayne suggested making the ad hoc committee regular standing committee. Kaleb made a motion which was seconded by Brie. A vote was held, and the motion passed.

Constitution and By-Laws: Larry O'Connor

ENYSLS Constitution and By-Laws updates

- Larry gave a summary of proposed changes. Kaleb stated that he needed a little more time to review Larry's proposed revisions.

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

- Nothing to report.

Ethics Practice: Larry O'Connor, Chuck Lent and Jeff Ostertag

A member suspects company is offering land surveying practices illegally

- The company in question has updated its website to remove "Land Surveying" from its business name. Their website still has survey services offered but notes that they use consultants. Larry stated that he told them they would need a third party agreement with surveyor and client. After discussions it was determined that they are walking a fine line of being in violation. Larry suggested writing a letter thanking them for the changes they have made to date and letting them know that they are close to being in violation and that we would continue to monitor the situation.

Another member suspects another company is offering land surveying practices illegally

- The second company is not an ENYSLS member. There seems to be enough disclaimers of "This is not a survey" on website. The State of Washington looked into the company and determined that it is not in violation of laws of the State of Washington.

Finance: Carl Rigdon, Bill Darling, and Chris Czerw

- Nothing to report.

Legislative: Larry O'Connor

- Nothing to report.

Program: Randy Paquin and Gary Mitchell

- Nothing to report.

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

- Kaleb suggested sending out a survey to the members to see what they would like us to work on/what we are doing/what we could be doing better. Kaleb said he would put together a survey for the Public Relations Committee to review and to send out to the membership.

Scholastic Development: Randy Paquin and Kristin Darrah

- Brie reported that she began a rough draft of revisions and would send out the existing language with her suggested changes.

Business Practice and Technical Information: Chris Czerw

- Nothing to report.

Membership: Robert Wilklow and Steve Dickson

- Nothing to report.

Website: Ralph Hill

- Nothing to report.

Old Business:

- Kaleb said that he would follow up with NYSAPLS President Dan Marvin on the status of the letter to the County Clerk's Association.
- Jim reported that there was nothing new to report on the situation with Northern.

New Business:

Upcoming Events

- NYSAPLS BOD Meeting will be held virtually on Friday, March 19th at 2 pm.
- ENYSLS BOD Meeting will be held virtually on Thursday April 8th at 5:30 pm.
- ENYSLS BOD & General Membership Meeting will be held virtually on Thursday May 13th at 5:30 pm.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Randy Paquin and seconded by Jim Vianna. A vote was held, and the motion passed, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:01 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dwayne A. Cooper, PLS
ENYSLS Secretary

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