



**EASTERN NEW YORK SOCIETY OF LAND SURVEYORS
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MINUTES

**EASTERN NEW YORK SOCIETY OF LAND SURVEYORS
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
September 9, 2021**

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

President Winters called the meeting to order at 5:35 pm

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

Absent: Nick Lehman, Pat VanHaverbeke, and Kristin Darrah

Secretary's Report: Dwayne Cooper

- The August 2021 BOD meeting minutes were presented to and reviewed by the BOD. A motion to accept the revised minutes was made by Randy Paquin and seconded by Jim Vianna. A vote was taken, and the motion passed.
- Dwayne reported that Jeff Ostertag had reached out with updates to the retired/deceased surveyors records list. Santos Associates have the records for Boyd F. Allen and John W. Worth. The list on the website has been updated accordingly.

Treasurer's Report: Jim Vianna

- Jim reported on the balances of the LPL and banking accounts. He noted that ENYSLS has received a check in the amount of \$1,430 from NYSAPLS for membership dues renewals. Jim reported that last year at this time we had received \$3,840 in dues renewals compared to \$3,200 received so far this year.

Minimum Technical Standards

- Jim reported that there was a meeting held on September 8th and not much is going on at this time. There is another meeting scheduled for September 29th. The City Surveyors would like to invite MTS committee to a meeting with their membership.

President's Report: Kaleb Winters

- Kaleb reported that he had sent an email to NYSAPLS about not sending reps to strategic planning and BOD Meeting. He reported that the strategic planning meeting has been postponed until May of 2022. Each regional must send two representatives and NYSAPLS is covering the cost of the event. Regionals must pay for overnight accommodations if required.
- Notified NYSAPLS that ENYSLS BOD had approved a fee of \$10 for the new retired

membership category.

- NYSAPLS 1/19-1/21, 2022 Conference (in person at this time) registration to open 9/15. A discussion was held on ENYSLS sponsorship and advertising options. Dwayne made a motion to sponsor the Welcome Reception Door Prize (\$500) and to place a full page ad (\$149) in the Conference Journal, Brie seconded the motion. A vote was held, and the motion passed.
- Stealth Air update. Kaleb reported that their website has been modified and that the Office of Professions is satisfied that they are in compliance and are closing the matter.
- Election/Constitution and By-Laws vote, call for candidates, nominating committee. Kaleb said that he would put together election materials for the By-Laws vote. We need nominations for 3 Regular Members and 1 Associate Member. Brie and Lucas stated they would run again. It was suggested that Dwayne send out an email to the membership asking for nominations. Dwayne agreed to do so.

Executive Vice President's Report: Brie Strom

- Update on Scholarship description, contact and qualifications. Brie reported that she had sent it on to Amber at NYSAPLS. Amber said that she would update the website in the coming days.

Vice President's Report: Lucas Boyer

- Nothing to report.

Past President's Report: Randy Paquin

- Randy reported that John Maille had passed away from COVID-19. Jim suggested making a donation to Paul Smith's College in memorial. A discussion was held, and Brie made the motion to make a \$100 donation to the Paul Smith's College Campground fund, the motion was seconded by Larry. A vote was held, and the motion passed.

Standing Committee Reports

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

- Nothing to report.

Constitution and By-Laws: Larry O'Connor

- Nothing to report.

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

- Nothing to report.

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

- Nothing to report.

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

- Nothing to report.

Scholastic Development: Randy Paquin and Kristin Darrah

- Nothing to report.

Business Practice and Technical Information: Chris Czerw

- Nothing to report.

Membership: Robert Wilklow and Steve Dickson

- Nothing to report.

Website: Brie Strom, Chuck Lent and Dwayne Cooper

- Nothing to report.

Old Business:

- Chuck and Randy checked COAs and registrations of proprietor list/member list. Sent to Kaleb on 9/8 to notify members. Kaleb will review.
- Young Professional Committee recordings. Jason said he will look into it and report back.

New Business:

- Digital stamp and signature theft. Chuck reported that he recently received a call from a person asking him to update a survey that Chuck had performed. Chuck realized he had not performed the work, and someone had obtained a stamp with his name and license number. A discussion was held, and it was suggested that possibly NSPS could pursue measures to make sure that companies offering seals made sure to identify the identity of individuals and verify credentials before selling stamps. Kaleb asked Chuck if he could attend the next NYSAPLS BOD meeting and relay the situation to them. He noted that Patty Brooks is our NSPS representative and she normally attends the NYSAPLS BOD meetings.

Upcoming Events

- NYSAPLS Young Professionals Panel Discussion: Are You Doing Enough to Educate Your Customers and the Public? will be held virtually on Friday, September 17th from noon-1
- Vermont SLS Conference on Friday, September 17th from 8-5 at the Roundhouse at Okemo Mountain Resort, Ludlow, Vermont, \$275
- NYSAPLS BOD Meeting will be held virtually on Friday, September 24th from 2-4 (November virtual and January in person)
- NYSAPLS 2020-2021 Legislative Updates webinar presented by: Emily Whalen, Esq. will be held virtually on Friday, October 1st from 8:30am-9:30am 1 CEU, \$49 for members, \$60 for nonmembers
- NYSAPLS NYS-Specific LS Exam Review Workshop presented by: Joseph V.R. Paiva, PhD, PE, PS will be held in person at Hyatt Place, 20 State Farm Place, Malta, New York 12020 on Friday October 1st at 8am - Saturday October 2nd at noon, \$249-\$449

- Optimizing Workflow for Both Field into the Office with Carlson Software presented by Michael Hyman on 10/6 in Webster and 10/13 in Fishkill, \$249-\$399
- ENYSLS BOD Meeting will be held virtually on Thursday October 14th at 5:30 pm.
- ENYSLS Annual Meeting and Election will be held virtually on Thursday November 11th at 5:30 pm.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Randy Paquin and seconded by Chuck Lent. A vote was held, and the motion passed, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:39 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dwayne A. Cooper, PLS
ENYSLS Secretary

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