

Minnesota Society of Professional Surveyors

Chapter One Meeting

November 19, 2008

Holiday Inn Boardroom, Mankato, MN

Members Present: Joe Haefner, Mike Eichers, Rory Jensen, Janele Fowlds, John Vereoven, Brad Evans, Peter Blethen, TJ Thill, Dan Stueber

Guest Present: David Landecker, current MSPS President; Nate Stadler; Craig Johnson; Ric Williams

Guest Speakers: Janean Winter, Closer/Manager and James Scheffert, Examiner for North American Title Company

Meeting called to order at 5:30 pm by Secretary/Treasurer Janele Fowlds.

The minutes from the August 15, 2008 Chapter Meeting were approved as submitted and placed on file.

The Treasurer's report was presented and approved (Current balance being \$1696.54). Janele will be working on the Chapter's yearend financial report over the next few weeks. A copy will be forwarded to all members when complete.

A motion was approved to leave the dues at \$40 for 2009.

The group discussed the current openings at the State level of MSPS. **Anyone interested in volunteering for a position should contact Joe Haefner.**

The group discussed nominations for the following MSPS awards:

- Surveyor of the Year – presented to an active member for recent and significant contributions of time and talent to the benefit of the Society.
- William Kelley Award – award given to a member who has contributed greatly to the community.
- E.A. Rathbun Award – presented to an active member who has served the Society over a long period of time in a specific category.
- Special Award – as determined by the awards committee.

Anyone wishing to make nominations should contact Joe Haefner.

Peter Blethen and Joe Haefner volunteered to be moderators at the upcoming MSPS annual meeting.

Janele reported that the 2008 Trig Star Sponsorship letter went out on November 5, 2008. She plans on sending out school invitations in January 2009. Janele will again try to coordinate the Trig Star volunteer efforts through email rather than having a planning meeting prior to the event.

The group discussed the 2009 Meeting schedule and approved the following meeting locations and dates:

Friday, January 30, 2009	Chapter Meeting at the MSPS Annual Meeting, St. Cloud
Thursday, March 12, 2009	TRIGSTAR Event in Mankato
Wednesday, April 29, 2009	Chapter Meeting at Holiday Inn, Mankato
Wednesday, July 29, 2009	Chapter Meeting at Shoreland Country Club, St. Peter <i>Golf at Shoreland</i>
Wednesday, September 30, 2009	Chapter Meeting at Holiday Inn, Mankato
Wednesday, December 30, 2009	NO MEETING

The group approved a motion to donate \$500 to the MLS Foundation and a motion to donate \$50 to the MSPS's President Banquet door prize fund.

David Landecker provided the group with an update on the State Board's activities and an update on the State Board of Registration's activities.

Guest Speakers - Janean Winter, Closer/Manager and James Scheffert, Examiner for North American Title Company presented an educational 90 minute discussion on the following items:

- Elements of Title Insurance
- What does Title Insurance protect your interest against
- Owners/Lenders Policies
- "2006" Policy
- Typical Residential Transaction
- Commercial Transaction / ALTA Surveys & Endorsements

A group approved a motion to send Janean and James each a \$25 gift certificate in appreciation of being guest speakers.

Janele agreed to contact Eric Ewald to pursue getting a PDH form in order to document the attendance of the Chapter Meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm



Chapter One Secretary/ Treasurer
Janele Fowlds