#### MISSOURI SOCIETY OF PROFESSIONAL SURVEYORS

# ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING Tan-Tar-A Resort, Osage Beach, Missouri

October 5, 2018

## MINUTES

President Gerald Bader called the meeting to order and welcomed the membership to the 61st Annual Meeting.

Minutes of the October 20, 2017 meeting were reviewed by Secretary-Treasurer Earl Graham. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes as printed. On a vote, the motion passed.

<u>Financial Report</u>: The financial report was reviewed by Earl Graham showing an overall balance of \$224,163.43. **A motion was made and seconded to accept the financial report as presented. On a vote, the motion was approved.** 

**REGISTRATION BOARD:** Dan Govero presented the registration Board report in the absence of Mike Freeman and reported that Mike Flowers had been replaced on the Board by Jerrod Hogan effective immediately. He reported on the continuing concern that Board has for the pass rate on the land surveyor exam. He reported that 10% of surveyors will be audited.

STATE LAND SURVEYOR'S REPORT: Ron Heimbaugh sent an in-depth written report that appeared in the handouts. As of August 27, the program is fully staffed at 14 employees. He reported that there are 650 volumes of GLO field notes. A color scan copy can be purchased for \$15 per volume. The program has processed and indexed 12,227 land survey documents to be added to the LSI and CMI databases. The 223 corners were restored or reestablished during FY2018 and 1,335 corner documents submitted to the Land Survey program this year. There are 32 active investigations. GPS observations were made on 110 benchmarks to determine the geoid separation.

The Field survey section maintains 11 Electronic Distance Measurement Baselines throughout the state. On April 18, the NGS posted on the Federal Register the "Policy and Procedures Documents for the State Plane Coordinate System for 2022". There are ongoing discussions with MoDOT and the LSP regarding the design of an LDP system on a county by county basis for MoDOT's projects.

NSPS DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Missouri Director Troy Hayes reported that the next NSPS meeting is October 18 in Maryland. He discussed the proposed \$10 increase to the NSPS dues which will be effective in 2020. He noted that California and Arkansas are the only two states that do not participate in the membership program. He reported that the Trig Star website would be updated and that donations were being sought for NSPS's Disaster Relief Program. He also reported that NSPS had a very good Scholarship program.

Curt Sumner reported briefly about NSPS activities noting that National Surveyor's Week will be in March 2019. NSPS is planning an International Day of the Surveyor with competitions

between Chinese surveyors and US surveyors in DC with teams of 6. Anyone interested can contact him directly. He announced that the GeoSpacial Act was enacted leaving out the surveyor - so NSPS has to work on getting them back in. They have established a new web site - BeASurveyor.com that has excellent information on it. The CST website is currently being reworked as well. There are also promotional items available on the NSPS website. They are trying to determine how early to start to attract children to the profession of surveying and he invited everyone to listen to the radio show on Americas Web Radio at 11:00 a.m. Monday through Friday.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

<u>Annual Meeting</u>: Dan Govero reported he thought the program was going to be great and the facility was good as well. He asked for input in the program and he is always looking for good speakers.

<u>County Surveyors Committee</u>: Loyd Todd, Chairman reported that the new County Surveyors association was brought back to life by Bob Lewis and Gerald Bader and will be called Missouri Association of Professional County Surveyors. Officers are Loyd Todd as president, Terris Cates as president elect, Matt Thomas as Secretary and Dennis Amsinger as Treasurer. Dues are only \$40 per year and they will be establishing an associate membership as well. They have already had two PDU programs this year and will plan more for 2019.

**<u>CST Committee</u>**: Troy Hayes had no report.

<u>Education Committee</u>: Chairman Dan Govero reported that the planning for the 2019 Spring workshop had begun and he is looking for speakers. Topics will include Title reports, types of deeds, business tips and an open forum on what a young surveyor should prepare for. Other topics will be safety for surveyors and resolving boundaries issues.

**History Committee**: Joe Clayton sent a written report noting that 2020 is the bicentennial anniversary of the Missouri Compromise; 2021 will mark the bicentennial anniversary of Missouri and 2023 will be a joint meeting between Kansas, Oklahoma, NSPS and Missouri to celebrate the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of surveying the west state line boundaries.

<u>Legislative Committee</u>: Jim Anderson reviewed a written report on the deed legislation that was filed last year but did not pass (HB 1769). He reported that the three letter reference bill did pass this year and Robert Ross was the sponsor. It was announced that Mo McCullough had retired and Lynne Schlosser had been retained to replace him (although no one can replace Mo). She has worked for several years with Mo on surveyor issues. He noted that the committee will be looking at Surveyor's Real Property Report and invited members to join the committee.

<u>Membership Committee</u>: Robert Ubben announced that a written report was in the meeting handouts and that membership numbers have been stable for the last couple of years remaining at around 620 PLS members.

**Newsletter:** Don Martin, editor, absent. It was reported that a written handout was in the packet that described the articles and authors from 2018.

<u>Awards/Nominating Committee</u>: Mike Flowers reported in Joe Clayton's absence that awards would be presented at the luncheon.

He reported the following slate of officers and directors for 2018-2019. Chris Wickern ascended to President.

It was moved and seconded to elect Susanne Daniel as President-Elect by acclamation. The motion passed. There were a motion and a second to elect Earl Graham by acclamation to the position of Vice President. This motion also passed. There were a motion and a second to elect Brad McCloud by acclamation to the position of Secretary Treasurer. This motion also passed. (There was no election due to Stan Emerick dropping out of the race).

A ballot was distributed for members to vote on Board of Directors terms that ended in 2021. Those nominated for these positions were: Robert Anderson, Kirk Baldwin, Charles Quinby, and Mark Wiley. After the written vote, Chuck Quinby and Mark Wiley were elected to the Board of Directors.

**PAC Committee**: Richard Barr, absent. It was reported a balance of \$1,459.28 in the PAC account.

<u>Public Relations Committee</u>: Charles Quinby reported that the sales committee was having a "fire" sale on items such as tee shirts, baseball shirts, hoodies, and dress shirts to make room for next years new designs.

<u>Scholarship/TrigStar Committee</u>: Susanne Daniel reported that three non traditional scholarships were awarded. Ryan Riggs of West Plains, Andrew Williford from Mexico and Barrett Estes of Koshkonong were all awarded a \$500 scholarship. Also the Trig-Star winner this year was from Kansas City and Jeff Means administered the test. Congratulations to all!

Standards Committee: Chris Wickern, Chair, had no report.

**State Government Liaison Committee**: Earl Graham had no report.

<u>Technology/GIS Committee:</u> Jon Cole and Jess Moss, Co-Chairs. Jon reported on the MAGIC/GIS meetings that he attends on behalf of MSPS where he has a seat on the Board.

**Young Surveyors/Mentoring**: Casey Young, absent. It was reported that Casey will attend the NSPS Young Surveyors meeting in Maryland.

### **CHAPTER REPORTS**

<u>Metro</u>: Jeff Means reported that the Metro chapter was participating in a fund raiser for the Veterans Community Project on November 30 and invited all to participate for a great

cause. He reported that they had three education workshops for 6 PDUs. They are working on their website and they also had the state Trig Star winner.

St. Louis: No report

**Southwest:** No report.

**Ozark:** No report.

**Southeast:** No report

**Centra**l: No report

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

**None** 

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

<u>Candidate for House seat:</u> Don Mayhew, PLS # 2389 reported that he was running for a House seat for District 121 (Pulaski County). He noted that Bart Korman was term limited out after this year and he was not seeking another office.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.