

EASTERN NEW YORK SOCIETY OF LAND SURVEYORS

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MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING EASTERN NEW YORK SOCIETY OF LAND SURVEYORS

Wednesday, August 11, 1982

Held at the Silver Spur Restaurant, Latham, N.Y.

SUSTAINING MEMBERS

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Those Present: James J. Lagasse Harold A. Behrens, Jr.
Lester E. Denison Paul E. Hite
Robert R. Allen Charles J. Denison
James P. Allen, Jr. William A. Schafer
Christian P. Momrow William Schraa (guest)
Rodney D. Michael

President Momrow called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Motion by James Lagasse, second by Robert Allen, to accept the Secretary's report as mailed: - carried.

Harold Behrens, Treasurer, presented his report to the Board.

President's Report:

President Momrow reported the following:

1. The NYSAPLS BOD meeting was held July 15 and 16 at Jerimys (next to the Budget 90 Inn) in Albany. Attendance was good, 33 turned out including 5 members of Eastern and 5 past presidents of NYSAPLS. The accommodations and rates were good. All NYSAPLS BOD meetings at Albany will be held there for the immediate future.

2. L.S. Registration Fee - a letter will be sent to Governor Carey asking that the registration fees collected be earmarked to go to the Profession.

3. 24th Annual Conference - a tentative Program was presented (it was approved previously by the Education Committee)

Rates for Hotel Syracuse: Old Hotel - Single \$44-46
Double \$52-56

Tower - Single \$62
Double \$77

There will be different registration rates for non-members.

4. Empire State Surveyor - August 31 is the deadline for the September issue. All info should be sent to Meg in Syracuse.

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President: Christian P. Momrow	Robert R. Allen	1983	James P. Allen, Jr.	1984	David J. Butler	1985
Executive Vice-Pres.: Rodney D. Michael	James J. Lagasse	1983	Harold A. Behrens, Jr.	1984	Charles J. Denison	1985
Vice-President: David J. Butler	Rodney D. Michael	1983	Lester E. Denison	1984	Christian P. Momrow	1985
Secretary: William A. Schafer	William A. Schafer	1983	Paul E. Hite	1984	Roger S. Peugh	1985
Treasurer: Harold Behrens						

Past President — Robert E. Walsh

Director N. Y. State Assoc. of Professional Land Surveyors — Christian P. Momrow

Alternate Director N. Y. State Assoc. of Professional Land Surveyors — Rodney D. Michael

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5. The following was presented as the Counsel Report at the NYSAPLS meeting:

- a. Mr. Claphie, L.S. was cited by the Education Department for practice below standards. It was turned over to the Attorney General for prosecution for gross negligence.
- b. Question - Do condominiums constitute a subdivision?
- c. In St. Lawrence County a map was filed by an unlicensed person, it is under investigation.

6. Land Surveyors Board - The new Chairman is Paul Cooney. (Note: presently there are no L.S. only members, there are 3 P.E.L.S. members. In addition, both public members are employed by public utilities)

7. A new computer-roster will be sent to Meg in Syracuse. (in the future each member should complete and return the 3 part NCR membership form with their dues)

8. Scholarships - 4 \$600.00 scholarships were awarded by NYSAPLS. In addition, the Student Chapter at Alfred was named after Joe Glickman.

9. The 25th Annual Conference Committee met July 15. The site was chosen - The Americana Hotel, the dates have not been confirmed as of yet.

10. A special thanks to Dave Butler for a fine Traverse Open.

Exec. Vice President's Report:

Exec. Vice-Pres. Michael reported the following:

1. To date no questions have been submitted for the Land Surveyors Exam.
2. Anyone wishing information on the Benchmark Software should call 274-7377.
3. A Seminar this fall will be put on by Delaware-Hudson. Gordon Wattles will be the guest speaker. The Seminar will take place October 15 and 16 at the Howard Johnsons, Middletown, N.Y., the fee is \$125.00.
4. The theme for the 24th Annual Conference will be "Managing a Modern Survey Office".
5. Rod apologizes for not putting out the letters for Business Practice, his former secretary packaged only the one letter and Rod had to rip apart all the envelopes. A new secretary is coming in on August 22 and will complete the assignment.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Constitution & By-Laws:

An inquiry was made by President Momrow concerning Sustaining Memberships. William Schraa, Chairman - Constitution & By-Laws Committee made a reply, the following is the text of his reply:

"Under Article I, Sec. 4, State membership is imposed only on those Society members determined to be eligible by the Board.

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Since the adoption of this provision at the inception of the State organization, the Society has operated on the basis that all members of all classes must belong to both groups. While eligibility determination has been conferred upon the Board, they have never exercised that power.

The Constitution and By-Laws are not clear on this point, but it seems to me that it would be practical to determine eligibility by membership class only. This would require an amendment to provide for a second class of sustaining member if you desire to declare ineligible only a portion to the group. To do otherwise might be considered, by some, to be legal but very suspect.

Of course, there is really more to the question than desirability of obtaining a few more dollars in dues for the local organization. First, consider those that will say 'Why not set up a second group for more, or even all, membership classes?' This kind of action could be very devisive, producing, not only fewer dollars, but more important, fewer members for the State organization. Keep in mind that part of the effectiveness of the State organization is that it represents a major portion of active surveyors.

Secondly, we are presently in the middle of the reverse situation at the State level. In their enthusiasm to increase the membership state-wide, people were allowed membership without joining a jurisdictional regional group. Of course, the various regionals objected strenuously. It is obvious how this action, if allowed to continue, would dilute the regional membership and finances.

I think that a great deal of serious thought should be given to the creation of elective single vs joint membership at both the State and Regional levels."

President Momrow directed the Constitution & By-Laws Committee to pursue a constitution amendment to have our Sustaining Members not to have to belong to the State organization. Said members can belong if they so want, etc.

Bill Schraa also suggested that our Society publish a "Moved and Seconded" book of motions made at our meetings throughout our existance. It was suggested that our Historian look into this.

Membership:

Lester Denison, Chairman, reported that the following applicants have been reviewed by the Membership Committee and announced to the general membership:

David F. Palma, applying for Senior membership
Peter D. Bell, applying for Senior membership

The Board gave a favorable recommendation for both applicants.

The Committee has also solicited Northco Products for Sustaining membership and has corresponded with Creighton Fee regarding the formation of the Northern regional.

A list of non paid members dropped from our Society will be published in the next minutes. Many members are being dropped from our Society for non payment of dues, when in fact they have moved out of state, etc. If any member must leave our Society a letter of resignation should be sent in to advoid any penalties in the future.

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Goals:

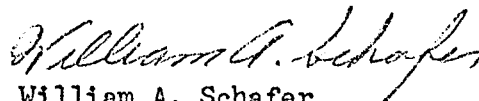
Paul Hite, Chairman, spoke about credit unions and is continuing his investigation to set up same for our organization. There was much discussion.

New Business:

Motion by Christian Momrow, second by Rodney Michael, that the Secretary be given a copy of all inter Society correspondence for the accurate publication of the minutes and for the records in the future: - carried.

With no further business before the Board President Momrow asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion by Harold Behrens, second by Rodney Michael, the meeting was adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



William A. Schafer
Secretary