



**STATE OF MAINE CHAPTER
INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF ASSESSING
OFFICERS**

**ANNUAL MEETING
November 30, 2018
Abromson Center, 88 Bedford St., University of Maine, Portland**

MINUTES

Judy Mathiau, President, called the Annual Meeting of the ME Chapter IAAO to order at 9:20 a.m.

Secretary's Report: Moved by Paul Castonguay, second by Jim Thomas, to approve the minutes of November 17, 2017 as read, all in favor.

Treasurer's Report: Matt reported the following balances:

Checking Account: \$4665.60 Savings Account: \$7121.43

The only outstanding bill is for the current meeting. Moved by Paul Castonguay, second by Jim Thomas, to approve the financial report, as presented, all in favor.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Education: Kerry reported the 2019 educational offerings schedule has been set. Specific courses have not all been chosen yet. An additional educational meeting has been added to the calendar. The winter meeting has been moved from February to January 18th and will be held at the Lewiston Regional High School's Green Ladle in Lewiston. One of the topics of this meeting will be the new 706A. The added meeting will be held in Augusta in March. The course offering for PTI in May is Marshall & Swift, Residential and Commercial; Gary McCabe will be the instructor.

Legislation: Kerry reported the former 706 has now officially become the 706A. The new mediation process is official. Large commercial tax appeals can now bypass the local BAR and go straight to mediation.

Membership: Judy reported a healthy membership.

Audit: Matt reported the audit went well. No significant deficiencies were noted.

Newsletter: Judy commented that some people wanted more educational material, but the newsletter is meant for news happenings, not education.

History: Darryl brought along "A Study of Property Tax Administration in the State of Maine" 1969

NEW BUSINESS:

Nominating: The 2019 Nominations were presented as follows:

Treasurer: Clinton Swett, to expire 12-31-2019

Director: Caitlin Thompson to expire 12-31-2020

Director: Karen Scammon to expire 12-31-2020

Brent Martin moved, Jim Murphy Jr. seconded, to accept the nominations as stated. Motion passed unanimously.

IAAO:

Judy reported the 2022 annual IAAO Conference will be held in Boston. She has corresponded with the president of the Massachusetts Chapter, Lane Partridge, and said that the executive committee expects to be involved.

Kerry spoke about his participation with the IAAO on course offerings; ways to ease the expense, allowing better access for Maine Chapter members. Budget constraints will not allow many to take the expensive courses and, in addition to the cost of the course, many cannot afford the week way from work to travel. How can we get the cost down?

He commented on his first telephone conference as a chapter representative and felt like the IAAO was pushing for him to promote the organization. His concern is working on bringing affordable IAAO courses to our members.

Meeting adjourned 10:38.