



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

**Executive Board Meeting
January 10, 2020 – 9:30am
Maine Revenue Services, Augusta ME Room 136**

MINUTES

Members Present: Judy Mathiau, President; Karen Scammon, Vice President; Clint Swett, Treasurer; Julie Ethridge, Secretary; Kerry Leichtman, Past-President; Darryl McKenney, Phil Drew, Natalie Andrews, Caitlin Thompson

Members Absent: Brent Martin

Also Present: Andrea Lubejko, MRS,

Meeting called to order at 9:30 am

Secretary's Report: Darryl moved to accept the minutes of December 13, 2019 as written. Karen seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Clint e-mailed the latest treasurer's report (attached). Kerry moved to accept the treasurer's report. Natalie accepted. Motion passed unanimously.

Committee Reports

Education

- February Meeting: Kerry is finalizing plans for the February 28th meeting, which will be held at MMA in Augusta. The topic of the day will be the new solar exemption and how to implement it. Rick Mace will give a brief history of his experience with solar assessments in York; Justin will give a talk on the new statute and rules; Brent will discuss the four tier methods of assessing solar installations; Kerry will reach out to find someone to discuss using the PV tool and discounted cash flow. There will be a panel discussion with all speakers after presentations.
- PTI: Judy reported that PTI is scheduled for May 13-15 at Sunday River. MRS will be hosting a Murder Mystery on Wednesday evening and Judy and Kerry will arrange a chapter meeting by the campfire on Thursday evening. Darryl will bring the history board. Kerry will contact Sunday River for a gift certificate for a door prize.
- There will no longer be raffles at Chapter meetings, other than the Annual Meeting. Speakers at Chapter meetings, other than directors, will receive a \$50 gift card.

Legislative: Kerry updated the committee on the progress of Ryan Tipping's Dark Store Theory bill. It is being brought forward as part of 701A. He also reported on LD1898, An Act Regarding Property Taxes on Certain Energy Generation Projects.

Membership: Julie reported there are currently 110 registered members for 2020. This includes four free new CMA members and five lifetime members. She sent out a reminder notice on Wednesday to those who have not yet renewed.

Audit: No report

Nominating: No report

Newsletter: Judy reported that it is her hope that the next newsletter will go out in early February, once the February meeting agenda has been set.

History: No report

Old Business:

- MMA Convention – subcommittee assignment: Darryl, Julie, and Natalie were appointed to the MMA Convention subcommittee, with Darryl acting as chair. This subcommittee will investigate what educational programs should be offered at future conventions and whether we should continue with the Assessors' Booth. The subcommittee will come up with questions to put forth to the Chapter membership; the questions will be added to the meeting survey for the February 28th meeting.
- Appraisal Credits – Phil reported that there are 13 IAAO courses which are approved for appraisal credits. There is a fee of \$175 to have a course approved by the Appraisal Board for continuing education credits. The board discussed the merits of financially supporting the approval of courses offered throughout the year; specifically, the courses at PTI and IAAO courses offered by MRS, which are not on the list of 13 approved courses. Andrea will discuss with her office to determine if MRS is open to paying the fee. Julie will check membership list to see how many Chapter members are appraisers. The board will continue discussion at the March meeting.
- Boston Conference 2022: No report

New Business:

- Committee Assignments – The following committee assignments were made:
 - Education: Kerry, Chair; Caitlin, Bill Brunelle, Nick Cloutier
 - Legislative: Karen, Chair; Brent, Phil, Bill Brunelle
 - Membership: Julie, Chair; Clint
 - Audit: Phil, Chair; Travis Roy

- Nominating: Darryl, Chair; Natalie, Julie
- Communications: Julie, Chair; Caitlin, Kyle Avila, Judy
The communications committee, comprised of the Secretary acting as chair, the Newsletter editor, and the Webmaster, will draft a policy concerning communications with Chapter membership and bring it to the executive committee.
- IAAO: Phil, Chair; Kerry
- History Sub-Committee: Darryl, chair; Brenda Cummings

Julie will send each committee chair a list of committee members with contact information.

- Meeting Dates – Exec Board
 - March 13
 - April 17
 - June 12
 - July 10
 - Sept 18
 - Oct 9
 - Dec 11
- Meeting Date - Chapter: The next Chapter meeting will be held February 28th.
- Meeting Cost - Tabled until March meeting.

Darryl moved we adjourn the meeting. Karen seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Romano Ethridge, Secretary