



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

**Executive Board Meeting
September 10, 2021 * 10:00 a.m.
Lisa's Restaurant, Augusta**

MINUTES

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

Members Absent: Phil Drew

Meeting called to order at 10:10 am

Secretary's Report: Brent moved to accept the minutes of August 13, 2021 as written. Kerry seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Clint reported there is no change since the last treasurer's report. Kerry moved to accept the treasurer's report. Karen seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Committee Reports

- **Education:** Kerry presented a draft agenda for the Annual Meeting. Topics include a legislative update by Kate Dufour, The Legislature and You by Kerry, Mentoring with Judy and Bob Konczal, Supply and Demand Panel: Dealing with valuations in the Covid-19 marketplace (panel will be coordinated by Nick Cloutier). The board discussed topics for the afternoon, deciding on Marijuana Facilities with Jo St. Peter and Brent.

The meeting will be held at the Hutchinson Center in Belfast; the Belfast Harbor Inn will offer a discounted room rate for the night before of \$109/poolside and \$139/oceanside.

Judy will send a "Save the date" e-mail to the membership.

- **Legislative:** Karen and Kerry received an e-mail from Kate Dufour about the Forest Carbon Reduction Task Force created by Governor Mills. The task force is requesting input from Assessors on the proposed recommendations to develop a voluntary program for small to medium size woodland owners who choose to utilize their land for long term storage of carbon. The task force recommendations include providing greater incentives to landowners and state reimbursement to municipalities for a portion of lost tax revenue. We discussed how lengthy the report was and recommended reading it and sending any comments to Kate.

- **Membership:** Julie reported no change to membership. She will send out renewal notices the first of October. She will reach out to MRS for a list of any new CMAs and will send letters offering a year of free membership, including the JATA brochure with the letter.
- **Audit:** Clint will reach out to Phil to schedule the audit and will send statements to him.
- **Nominating:** The nominating committee submitted the following names for nomination:
 - **President:** Karen Scammon **Vice President:** Darryl McKenney
 - **Treasurer:** Clint Swett **Secretary:** Julie Ethridge
 - **Directors:** Natalie Andrews, Joe St. Peter, Nick Cloutier

Caitlin moved to accept the slate of nominations as presented. Natalie seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

- **Communications:** Judy is working on the newsletter for release October 1st. Penny Thompson is doing a write up about her experience at the IAAO Convention in Chicago for the newsletter.

Sub-Committee Reports

- **History:** Darryl shared an old surveyor's map of the Kennebec River.
- **IAAO Representatives:** No report.

Old Business

- **Assessor Recruitment** Caitlin e-mailed the UMA Career Services Center and is waiting for a reply.
- **Boston Conference 2022:** No report. Kerry will contact Bill Healey.

New Business

- **Annual Business Meeting:** Judy and Julie will work on the business meeting agenda. The Michael Austin Scholarship will be awarded at the meeting. There will be a drawing for two \$50 Amazon gift cards after lunch. Clint will pick those up. Judy will order lanyards with our logo as swag for the meeting.

Kerry moved to adjourn the meeting. Clint seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned 11:10 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Ethridge, Secretary

