

Minnesota County Highway Accountants Association 2010 Conference
Secretary's Minutes
Holiday Inn, Willmar, MN

Wednesday, April 28, 2010

2:00 p.m. District Round table discussions were held.

3:00 p.m. Betty White, Wadena County, President of our association opened the meeting at the 37th Annual Conference of Minnesota County Highway Accountants and welcomed everyone to the conference. She then introduced Kristi Fischer, U of M, and this year's officers: Betty White, Wadena County, President; Betty Schweer, Yellow Medicine County, Vice President and Fred Edstrom, Anoka County, Secretary Treasurer. The planning committee was District 8 and officers; Paul Bakker, Kandiyohi County; Nancy Boogaard, Lyon County; Leslie Lueck, Pipestone County; Ronda Olson, Chippewa County; Suzanne Pater, Meeker County; Lisa Saner, Murray County; Nancy Schmidt, Redwood County; Robin Sterzinger, Lincoln County. They were introduced and thanked.

President Betty White reviewed the nomination of officers for next year. Betty Schweer, Yellow Medicine, has agreed to accept the nomination for President. Fred Edstrom, Anoka County, has agreed to accept the nomination for Vice-President. Kathy Glass, Polk County, declined the nomination as Secretary-Treasurer. Gloria Winkler, Mahnomon County, accepted the position as Association Historian. As there were no volunteers from the floor for a nominating committee, Vice President Edstrom said he and Francis Kerber, Carver County, would recruit a member to be Secretary Treasurer.

Discussion was held on a proposed policy for funerals. We will vote on this on Friday.

President White reminded the Association that the 2011 conference will be at Cragun's, Brainerd, MN. She asked that a northern location site be considered for the 2012 conference. This will be voted on during the business meeting on Friday, April 30th.

President White also announced the Hospitality room number, thanked District 4 for running the Hospitality Room and announced that raffle tickets were still for sale. A motion to adjourn was made by Robin Sterzinger, Lincoln County, and seconded by Judy Peterson, McLeod County. Motion carried.

Thursday, April 29, 2010

7:00 a.m. Breakfast is served.

8:00 a.m. President Betty White introduced Kristi Fisher, U of M, who reviewed the conference packets received at registration. Kristi reminded everyone to complete the evaluation for CEU forms in the packet.

8:05 a.m. President Betty White, Wadena County, introduced Gary Danielson, Kandiyohi County Engineer. Mr. Danielson welcomed us to Kandiyohi County and Willmar, MN.

Then the Kandiyohi County Board Chairman, Richard Falk, welcomed us to Willmar and to our 37th Annual conference. President White then introduced Darrell Pettis, Le Sueur County Engineer, and Minnesota County Engineers Association President. Mr. Pettis gave us the update from the county engineers. Mr. Pettis also reminded us of the NACE convention being held in Minneapolis April 17th – 21st, 2011.

8:30 a.m. Update from Department of Finance Joan Peters, SAF Accounting Supervisor, St. Paul, MN, spoke next. Joan acknowledged the Task Force. Patti Loken – from the central office spoke and then Kim DelaRosa (the CSAH needs manager) presented. She said we have \$13 billion of needs over the next 25 years. We only get \$16 for every \$1,000 of needs.

9:30 a.m. **Concurrent Sessions from the Department of Finance**

- State Aid and Federal Aid Issues
 - Project Funding Database Updates
- Joan Peters and staff, Mn/DOT, State Aid Finance

10:35 a.m. **Break**

11:00 a.m. **Concurrent Sessions from the Department of Finance (continued)**

Noon **Lunch**

1:30 p.m. **Motor Fuel Taxes and Refunds**
Herman Wisneski, Revenue Tax Specialist,
Petroleum Section, Special Taxes Division,
Minnesota Department of Revenue

2:00 p.m. **Break**

2:20 p.m. **Unique Highway Exposures and MCIT's
Response to Losses**
Risk Management Staff, MCIT

4:30 p.m. **Adjourn**

6:00 p.m. **Annual Banquet**

Annual banquet was held with semi-formal attire. Beautiful music was provided by Arden Skoglund. He was incredible on the piano.

Winners of the drawing for the raffle prizes held at the end of the banquet. The winners were as follows:

- \$50 gift card to Herberger's – Cindy Wenkel, Nicollet County
- \$50 gift card to Walmart – Colleen Cunningham, Crow Wing County
- \$50 gift card to JC Penney – Ronda Olson, Chippewa County
- \$50 gift card to Home Depot – Judy Peterson, McLeod County
- \$50 gift card to JC Penny – Robin Evenson, Freeborn County
- \$50 gift card to Walmart – Leslie Lueck, Pipestone County
- \$100 gift card to Target – Cindy Johnson, Chisago County

The fun continued in the Hospitality Room into the evening.

Friday, April 30

7:00 a.m. **Breakfast**

8:00 a.m. **The TrustEDGE**
Dave Horsager, Horsager Leadership Studio

9:15 a.m. **Break**

9:30 a.m. **The TrustEDGE (Continued)**

10:30 a.m. **Minnesota County Highway Accountants Business Meeting**

11:30 a.m. **Adjourn**

10:30 a.m. Business meeting was called to order by Betty White, President. Thanks were extended to Kristi Fischer with the U of M.

A motion to accept but to not read aloud the 2009 minutes was made by Paul Bakker, Kandiyohi County, and seconded by Sheila Kirkwood, Goodhue County. A motion to accept was made by Robin Sterzinger, Lincoln County, and seconded by Cheryl Thiner, Nobles County.

The Treasurer's report was read by Fred Edstrom, Secretary Treasurer. A motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made by Judy Peterson, McLeod County, and seconded by Mark Linne, Carlton County. (See attached 4/30/2010 Treasurer's Report)

Thanks to Engineer's President, Darrell Pettis from Le Sueur County, for coming back early from NACE!

The proposed policy for funerals : The Minnesota Highway Accountants Association will spend up to \$50 for flowers(plant)/memorial in the event of the death of the Accountant, their spouse or children. If this should occur, a member of the Executive Committee should be notified so that the flowers/memorial can be sent. A motion to accept the policy for funerals was made by Ruth Smith, Kanabec County, and seconded by Pam Hahn, Sibley County.

Nominations were made for the executive committee positions: Bette Schweer, Yellow Medicine County, accepted the nomination for President. Fred Edstrom, Anoka County, accepted the nomination for Vice President ; Lori Koch, Cass County, accepted the nomination for Secretary Treasurer. A motion was made by Gloria Winkler, Mahnomen County, to close the nominations and accept the candidates as presented. The motion was seconded by Dian Dahlke, Isanti County. Motion carried.

The 2011 Conference will be held at Cragun's in Brainerd, MN, on April 27th – April 29th, 2011. District 3 will make up the Planning Committee and District 8 will handle the Hospitality Room duties.

Tami Furth, Brown County, made a motion for not more than 4 locations for the 2012 Conference. The motion was seconded by Deb Westphal, Waseca County. The cities nominated for the 2012 conference were Bemidji, Duluth, Hibbing and Moorhead. After voting, it was determined that the 2012 conference will be held in Bemidji , MN, on April 25th to April 27th. District 2 has accepted the Planning Committee duties and District 4 will handle the Hospitality Room.

It was suggested that the 2013 conference be moved to the fall. This idea will be discussed at the 2011 meeting. A motion was made by Gloria Winkler, Mahnomen County, and seconded by Leslie Lueck, Pipestone County.

A motion to adjourn was made by Ed Kraayenhof, Rock County, and seconded by Ruth Smith, Kanabec County. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.
Respectfully submitted,

Fred Edstrom
2010 Secretary/Treasurer

BALANCE 3/31/10

4,200.⁴⁵

Additions: 4/16/10 Co. Eng. Assoc

400-

Raffle ticket sales

1,130.⁰⁰

SUB-TOTAL

5,730.⁴⁵

Expenses:

Historian

Raffle

Food/Drink

Entertainment

Fred Edstrom

400

15.06

Gloria Winkler

46.02

63.34

Ann Rodke-Leshovsky

66.62

Deidrie Hubbard

599.32

Kim Kildal

63.30

Arden Skoglund (music)

275.⁰⁰

Retiree Flowers

29.53

TOTAL EXPENSES

46.02

400.⁰⁰

807.64

304.53

1,558.¹⁹ =

ENDING BALANCE

4/30/10

4,172.⁴⁶

