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**Maine Association of Assessing Officers
Board Meeting Minutes
MMA - Augusta
March 2, 2018**

Present: Bill Healey Jr., Darryl McKenney, Tammy Brown, Martine Painchaud, John Wentworth, Travis Roy, Craig Skelton, Rick Mace, Debbie Turner, and Alicia Gaudet-MMA.

Conference Call In: Dan Robinson and Lewis Cousins

Excused Absence: Ruth Birtz

Absent: Roger Hoy

Call to Order: President Bill Healey, Jr. called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Secretary's Report: Tammy Brown presented the Minutes of the December 8, 2017 meeting. Motion made by Rick Mace, seconded by Martine Painchaud, all approved the December 8, 2017 minutes with edits.

Tammy Brown presented the January 26, 2018 minutes. Motion made by Rick Mace, seconded by Martine Painchaud, all approved the January 26, 2018 minutes with edits.

Treasurer's Report:

Martine Painchaud reported on the balance (Total Assets) as of December 31, 2017 - \$14,614.22. Martine noted additional payment of \$750.00 for IAAO for Dan Robinson approved yesterday, March 1, 2018.

Paid out since January 26, 2018:

The balance as of December 31, 2017	\$14,614.22
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Paid out since December 8, 2017

Old Town - Scholarship request Travis Roy	\$ 550.00
MMA December 2017 Invoice	\$ 22.32
Total Invoices Paid	\$ 572.32

Motion made by Darryl McKenney, seconded by Rick Mace, all approved the financial reports.

Committee Reports:

Audit/Finance: Ruth Birtz was absent.

Calendar/Advertisers: Lewis Cousins had no report.

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Newsletter: Tammy Brown reported on the following:

- Newsletter went out, apologies for error on Northern Maine Spring Workshop date.
- Will need articles to help her prepare next newsletter in next couple of months.

Ethics: Travis Roy and Craig Skelton reported on the following:

- Review of by-laws, intention to make it more encouraging of professionalism
- Craig Skelton reported on proposed section 4 changes
- Re-wording sections to make language more positive
- Proposed changes need to be out to the board 90 days before Fall Conference, then sent out to membership 30 days prior to Fall Conference
- Proposed changes to section 3 – Lewis Cousins suggested change to or add “state tax laws” versus “local”; replace local with “current”. Dan Robinson proposed adding language on valuation
- Section 4, article 5 – proposed addition of misdemeanor crimes. Remove second sentence
- Proposed change under section 1, article 3, Officers: change quorum from 9 board members to 50% of all currently filled seats
- Goal to have draft of proposed changes ready for May meeting

Legislative: Darryl McKenney reported on the following:

- Tracking tax bill for elderly – looks like it won’t go anywhere
- Tracking Tree Growth proposals

Membership: In Roger Hoy’s place, Tammy Brown reported there are 284 members & 54 unpaid as of March 1, 2018.

Awards & Scholarship: Rick Mace reported the following:

- Travis Roy is latest recipient of scholarship for IAAO 102course being offered in NH.
- Scholarship monies for IAAO Instructor course is being distributed for Dan Robinson.

Technology Report: Dan Robinson reported on the following:

- Made contact with Ben Thomas at MMA regarding website upgrades
- Board can discuss potential costs further at next board meeting; Ben estimates about \$1,000 for upgrade, plus \$55/hour for any other work outside of regular content updates.

Executive Board: Ruth Birtz was absent.

Education: Bill Healey reported on the following:

- Travis working on bringing a drug awareness safety session for non-law enforcement for conference
- Bill seeking input for session(s) at MMA Convention
- Central Maine Assessors group is hosting an all-day training in Bangor in April
- Board requested that Alicia again discuss possibility of additional remote sites if group is willing to pay for additional services.
- Rick Mace proposed session on E-911 at MMA Convention.

Conference Committee: Tammy Brown reported the following:

- Tammy talking with Sebasco about making some changes to the contracts for 2019 & 2020.

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- MAAO will need to pay deposit for future conferences once the contracts are signed

Historian: Darryl McKenney had nothing to report.

- He discussed a new game for the Listserv night at Fall Conference.

New Business:

- Will reschedule joint meeting with MCIAAO board
- Listserv policy: Tammy distributed some examples from other organizations listserv policies for the board to consider for next meeting. Suggestion for discussion on listserv at Conference or MMA Convention.
- Membership dues for 2019: Bill Healey proposes a small dues increase for 2019. Motion made by Rick Mace, seconded by John Wentworth, to increase Regular member dues to \$40. John Wentworth withdraws his second. Rick Mace amended his motion to increase municipal and county dues to \$60, regular dues to \$40, associate dues keep at \$30, subscribing to \$250, others remain the same, seconded by John Wentworth, all approved the proposed dues changes
- Conference registration fees for 2019: Motion made by Rick Mace to increase 2019 conference fee for members from \$199 to \$219, from \$229 to \$249 for non-members, from \$92 to \$99 and \$119 for one day rates, seconded by John Wentworth, all approved conference fee increases
- Board will discuss rate increases for regular workshops at next meeting
- Darryl McKenney will staff BAR workshop and introduce speakers. Bill will provide Darryl with speaker bios.

Adjournment: Motion made by Rick Mace, seconded by Martine Painchaud, all approved to adjourn the meeting at 11:07a.m.