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**Maine Association of Assessing Officers  
Board Meeting Minutes  
MMA - Augusta  
March 1, 2019**

**Present:** William Healey, Jr., Darryl McKenney, Tammy Brown, Martine Painchaud, Roger Hoy, Rick Mace, Lewis Cousins, Travis Roy, & Joan Kiszely (MMA)

**Conference Call In:** Craig Skelton, Dan Robinson

**Excused Absent:** Debbie Turner, Ruth Birtz

**Call to Order:** President Bill Healey, Jr. called the meeting to order at 10:23 a.m.

**Secretary's Report:**

Motion made by Roger Hoy, seconded by Martine Painchaud, all approved the January 25, 2019 minutes.

**Treasurer's Report:** Martine Painchaud reported on the balance (Total Assets) as of:

December: \$13,687.14

Motion made by Darryl McKenney, seconded by Rick Mace, all approved the December financials as presented.

Martine Painchaud reported on the following:

Paid out since January 25, 2019

MMA November Invoice	\$207.91
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MMA December 2018 Invoice	\$18.53
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Total Invoices Paid	\$226.44
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**Old Business:**

**Committee Reports:**

**Audit/Finance Committee:** Ruth Birtz was absent.

**Award & Scholarship Committee:** Rick Mace

Rick Mace reported that he had received one application for scholarship to date.

- Ken Priest – Is considering retiring next year, if so the City of Lewiston would not support sending him to the MAAO Fall Conference. If he decides against retiring the City will be paying for him to attend the MAAO Fall Conference. Motion made by Rick Mace, seconded by Travis Roy, all approved Ken Priest for the scholarship to attend the Fall Conference pending if the finance is needed.

**Calendar/Advertisers Committee:** Lewis Cousins

Lewis Cousins reported on the following:

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- Has had contact with one more advertisers – Harrison Becker from Vision has all the advertising paperwork – Lewis is waiting to hear back from Vision.

**Conference Committee:** Tammy Brown

Tammy Brown reported on the following for the 2019 conference:

- Attendee Packet is drafted – close to being ready to get out to our membership and other interested people.
- Tammy and Bill would appreciate the Attendee Packet going out next week
- Sebasco menu – Tammy Brown, Debbie Turner & Darryl McKenney will review it and make the food selections for the conference.
- Auction – Rick Mace distributed a flyer regarding the potential Auction Trip  
It was the consensus to leave the South Africa trip and add the Costa Rica trip. MAAO suggested taking out the Map of Sebasco and adding the Auction trip descriptions.

**Distance Learning Committee:** Travis Roy

Travis Roy reported on the following:

- Happy that Dan Robinson, & Lewis Cousins are on this committee. He felt between the three of them that had the majority of the State of Maine covered which is important when trying to get educational offering out to our membership.
- Travis will be meeting next week with the Dean of Eastern Maine Community College regarding the Zoom Technology.
- Dan Robinson indicated that his Fire Department is all setup for webinars and would be available for a future site for educational offerings.
- November 12<sup>th</sup> – Potential Excel Workshop

**Education Committee:** Bill Healey, Jr.

Bill Healey, Jr. informed the Board of the following:

- Travis Roy is working on getting a Excel Course for Assessors
- MMA Convention - Craig Skelton would put together a package on potential sessions he could speak on. Darryl indicated that MCIAAO has been informed about this.

**Northern Maine Spring Workshop – To be held April 20th to be held at Northern Maine**

Lewis Cousins reported on the following:

- 21 attendees to date

**BAR Workshop – To be Held May 15<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. at MMA in Augusta with live interactive video conferencing being held at Northern Maine Development Commission in Caribou:**

- 27 attendees in Augusta to date
- 6 attendees in Caribou to date

**Ethics Committee:** Travis Roy & Craig Skelton

There was nothing to report.

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**Executive Board:** Ruth Birtz

There was nothing to report at this time.

**Historian Committee:** Darryl McKenney

There was nothing to report.

**Legislative Committee:** Darryl McKenney

Darryl McKenney reported on the following Legislative Bills:

- Veterans, Homestead
- Personal Property – Darryl McKenney was at the State House Hearing Presented by the Town Manager from China  
BETE & BETR  
Next Wednesday is the Public Hearing on Personal Property
- There is discussion regarding working on the Solar Energy bill in the future.

**Membership Committee:** Roger Hoy

- Roger Hoy reported on the following: that there are 271 paid members and 38 unpaid members as of March 1, 2019.
- He plans to attend Property Tax School again this year to try to gain some new members.

**Newsletter Committee:** Tammy Brown

- Tammy thanked everyone that had the time to supply articles for the last newsletter.
- Next issue will be May

**New Business:**

- Joint Committee with MCIAAO to assist with the IAAO Conference in Boston:  
Judy Mathieu reached out to Bill Healey about to assist with the conference in Boston  
Committee Members: Bill Healey, Travis Roy & Dan Robinson, Kerry Leichtman, Penny Thompson and Jim Thomas.
- Website Discussion: Dan Robinson reported the following:  
He will get in contact with Alicia Gaudet to see about getting MAAO in the queue for updating MAAO website to Word Press?  
Tammy Brown emailed the Administrative Guide to the entire board to review. The Board made a few updates to the Admin Guide during the meeting Tammy will draft some new language for the committees that are still are needed. The Board will review them at the next meeting.

**Other:**

- Next meeting is May 3<sup>rd</sup> at MMA at 10:00 a.m.
- Travis Roy asked if the Board would be interested in a session on Drone Laws during the Golf Tournament time at the Fall Conference. He is willing to do this as an alternative to

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the golf for attendees. He is certified by the FAA now and he could offer to show how the Drone could be helpful to assessors. This would be done outside. He would like it in the Attendee Packet and the Program.



**Adjournment:** Motion made by Rick Mace, seconded by Martine Painchaud, all approved to adjourn the meeting at 11:15 a.m.