



Massachusetts Association of Public Purchasing Officials (MAPPO)

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, September 20, 2017

NE Public Works Expo

Holiday Inn, Boxborough

Hosted By: MA Highway Association

Officers Present:

Tom Watkins, President

David Gelineau, Interim Treasurer

Tanya Jenkins, Secretary

Business Meeting:

President Tom Watkins welcomed everyone, introduced officers and Executive Board members and opened the meeting at 11:05 AM.

New Members:

Jay Picone, Northeast Metro Tech

Charles Young, Weston

Prajakta Waditwar, Somerville

Guests:

Treasurer's Report:

Interim Treasurer David Gelineau presented the Treasurer's report for the month of August. The beginning balance was \$28,524.07. The ending balance was \$32,849.31. President Watkins requested a motion to approve. The motion was made, seconded, and report was approved.

President Tom Watkins presented the FY18 Budget which was approved by the Executive Board during summer meeting.

Legislative Affairs Committee:

Executive Board member Mary Delaney, told the group that they have been approached to support new legislation language for the Designer Selection Law. They are waiting to hear back from DCAMM & will give MAPPO an update at that time.

Website Committee:

President Tom Watkins shared that the new design template is in place for the website and we are in the content transfer phase with the goal of being up and running live by the end of October. Tom also mentioned the possibility of having vendor sponsorship on the website to help offset costs and to start a social media presence to attract new members.

Speaker Committee:

Angela Allen let the group know that she is always looking for speakers and ideas. Angela announced that there are still some speakers that she is trying to firm up and hopes to have those completed soon so that they can be added to the calendar.

Election:

Executive Board members, Mary Delaney & David Geanakakis presided over the special election of Treasurer & Vice President for FY18 and FY19.

The results were:

Vice President – Dave Gelineau, Beverly
Treasurer – Arlyn Zuniga, Milton

Announcements:

President Tom Watkins mentioned the meeting schedule for FY18.

Joyce McEntee Emmett from the Office of the Inspector General informed the group of the new recertification policy effective January 1, 2018.

Ken Wertz from Mass Facilities Administration (MFAA) talked to the group about the October Conference at the Hyannis Resort and Conference Center on October 17, 18 & 19th.

Old Business:

Eric Murphy from OSD gave a brief update on TRD01 & the increase of bid posting on COMMBUYS.

Ellen Bickelman reported that next year's MHEC Expo will be September 21, 2018.

Natasha Bizarios-Ashe from the Office of the Inspector General reached out to the group if anyone would like to submit an article or had any issues that they would like addressed in the winter bulletin coming out January 15, 2018.

Speaker:

Angela Allen introduced the speaker, Brian O'Donnell, Assistant Attorney General, Fair Labor Division of the Office of the Attorney General, who clarified some of the changes that came into effect with the Municipal Modernization Act on November 7, 2016.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:47 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Tanya Jenkins,
MAPPO Secretary