

ALASKA CHAPTER APA
BOARD MEETING NOTES
Monday, October 11, 2010

Roll Call/Confirm Quorum

A quorum was established. In attendance: M. Tuttell, P. Cotter, J. Czarnezki, C. Stern, L. Cummings, and S. Queen.

Approval of Minutes – September 2010

Minutes were approved.

Treasurer Report

If our budget continues decreasing, the expenses are going to outstrip our revenue. Hopefully the PC Training will give us a little bit of breathing room. Our two biggest costs are membership with AML and Western Planner.

Continuing Issues

Certification Maintenance (CM): Lauren sent out an announcement on the Ohio webcasts however if we participate, we would have to pay fees and a speaker. At this point, the Chapter is not financially ready. Reminder that members need to keep up with their CM credits and there are many free opportunities now including a 6 credit Health Assessment training on the internet.

Planning for PC Training in November: A few speakers have confirmed. Lauren has received a number of commitments and is basically waiting for registrations to come in. Maryellen, Laurie, Charlene and Patrick will not be attending. John is planning to attend.

New Business

Chapter minimum standards: By the next meeting Maryellen, Charlene, and Lauren will begin organizing a sub-committee meeting.

Website: Laurie has made several changes to the website. If anyone is interested in providing updates please let Laurie know.

National Report

John provided updates on Lauren's DC trip. Laruen was able to meet with Senators Murkowski and Begich as well as HUD staff. She obtained a commitment from Senator Begich to require sustainability planning inside a transportation bill. EPA, DOT and HUD also reiterated their support for the inclusion in the bill. The Chapter will ask Lauren to send summary of DC trip and results of the member survey.

Regional Reports

Stephanie - Kenai starting a new comp plan and new airport plan. Soldotna draft plan update is expected to be approved in the next few months.

Patrick – DOT has a couple RFP's out for airport master plan and FMATS transportation plan. At the polls, voters restricted whether the borough can enforce their air quality plan.

John – Cooper Landing meeting to begin walkable community plan. The Borough is trying to revise its zoning regulations regarding nonconforming uses within anadromous streams buffer areas.

Charlene – RurAL CAP is in the process of wrapping up our Village Planning & Development Initiative. We have been providing technical planning assistance to 10 villages with the development and implementation of community plans.

Western Planner Report

Western Planner membership has declined. Maryellen indicated that while we hope to continue our membership, we have to evaluate our budget. Reminder to members that we are allowed an entire page in the Western Planner so please email Barb with your ideas, articles, etc.

The Alaska Women's Transportation Group will be meeting October 28 at the MOA permit center. The group will need a minimum of 20 people to gain Chapter status. The contact is Theresa Brewer at the MOA.

Next Scheduled Meeting *November 8, 2010*