

MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING
FEBRUARY 18, 2000
SHILOH INN, OCEAN SHORES, WASHINGTON

In the absence of our esteemed leader, Denny DeMeyer, Secretary-Treasurer Patrick Beehler called the meeting to order at 6:30 A.M.

Those in attendance were: Dave Berg, Ken Frazier, Jim Wengler, Brent Johnston, Gary Perasso, Dick Sterling, Tim Kent, Jon Warren, Walt Dale, Terry Trantow, David Steele, John W. Linzee, Jim Bell, and John Thalacker.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the 1999 Annual Meeting at the Double Tree Inn in Portland, Oregon, and the 1998 Annual Meeting in Everett, Washington, were approved as published.

Treasurer's Report: Balance on hand as of 12-31-99 was \$2,634.64 in checking, and \$8,312.60 in savings.

Dick Sterling presented an invoice of \$175.42 for the Brass Disks used in remonumenting the Coast Guide Meridian. The invoice was paid.

Old Business:

1. The remonumentation of the Amos Short DLC was discussed by Tim Kent. The city parks director has objected to the wording on the plaque as being too technical. For this reason, Tim is working with the Chart House restaurant to place the plaque on private property.
2. Ken Frazier is still looking for individuals to send him biographies or other information on prominent surveyors who are deceased. Ken will check with Jerry Olson to get a list of prominent surveyors and other information. In the meantime, the members of LSAW Historical Society are to consider submitting names of those they feel are deserving of recognition.
3. We purchased copies of Jerry Olson's book on David Clarke last year, and have two left. Dick Sterling will be sending one to the Tacoma City Library. The other book will go to the DNR for inclusion in the historical display and library.

Elections:

This being the time and place designated for the election of the officers of the society, the acting chairman opened the floor to nominations. It was pointed out that Mr. DeMeyer had requested that someone else be elected chairman.

The names Tim Kent and Ken Frazier were mentioned as possible candidates for chairman. Mr. Frazier immediately nominated Tim Kent. Since Mr. Kent did not decline the nomination, a motion was made, seconded and passed to elect Mr. Tim Kent the new chairman by unanimous ballot. The motion passed. As the newly elected chairman, Mr. Kent then took over the meeting. Pat Beehler offered to continue as the secretary-treasurer. There being no objection, it was moved, seconded and passed to elect him secretary-treasurer for another year.

New Business:

1. The question of "Member Certificates" came up. It appears that we have not issued certificates to our new members. Howard Richardson was going to take care of this. He was not at the meeting, and therefore we don't have a report.
2. A motion was made and seconded to get a plaque or certificate for Mr. DeMeyer. This would be in recognition of this dedication and work on behalf of the preservation and promotion of the history of surveying. Passed.
3. Walt Dale gave us an update on the Web Page.
4. Motion made and seconded to begin work on a Lewis and Clark Bicentennial project. Passed. It was given to Ken Frazier to head up.
5. Dave Steele reported on the International Border re-monumentation project. Dave will continue researching the information for the location of the controlling points. Gary Perasso offered to assist Dave. As is true with most work on historical projects, Dave will be fitting this in with his other activities.
6. We should be starting to get ready for next year's 150th anniversary of the Willamette Meridian. Tim Kent has been involved in the planning process with the Oregon Surveyors. A cooperative project will be done. Check with Tim if you are interested.
7. Dick Sterling made a motion that the LSAW Historical Society becomes an affiliate member of the Washington State Historical Society. Seconded and passed.
8. The question about a booth for next year's Tri-State in Coeur d' Alene came up. Walt Dale indicated that he would make sure there would be a space for the LSAW Historical Society's display.
9. Tim Kent related to the group that Mark Thomas at the BLM has access to a program that lets you know where GLO surveyors worked by representing the contracts on a map. Check with Tim for more information.

Good of the Order: It was mentioned that there are "metes and bounds" descriptions of the boundaries of the U.S on the Web. These are extracts out of old treaties.

Meeting adjourned at 7:32 AM

Respectfully Submitted

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Patrick J. Beehler, PLS LSAW
Secretary-Treasurer