

# **COUNCIL OF THE PUBLIC CORPORATION LAW SECTION OF THE STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN**

## **Minutes of the November 5, 2005 Meeting**

A regular meeting of the Council of the Public Corporation Law Section of the State Bar of Michigan was held on Saturday, November 5, 2005 at the offices of Kitch, Drutchas, Okemos, Michigan. The meeting started at approximately 10:00 AM.

**Members participating included:** W. Beach, L. Bluhm, M. Fales, G. Fisher, M. Howe, D. Matson, S. Morgan, C. Robinson, C. Rosati, A. Seurnyck, J. Sluggett, K. So and M. Watza. Absent members included: J. Beras, C. McKone, K. Schloff, D. Schmidt, J. Tamm, D. Walling and E. Williams. Rosati moved, and Fales supported, a motion to excuse absent members. Motion passed unanimously.

### **Approval of Agenda:**

There was a motion by Rosati, supported by Robinson, to approve the amended agenda for the November 5, 2005 meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

### **Approval of Minutes of the October 8, 2005 Council Meeting:**

There was a motion by Robinson, supported by Fisher, to approve the minutes of the October 8, 2005 Council meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

### **Treasurer's Report (September, 2005)**

Sluggett reported on the September, 2005 financial reports.

There was a motion by Bluhm, supported by Fales, to approve the September, 2005 financial reports. Motion passed unanimously.

### **Report on Survey:**

There was nothing to report.

### **Co-Sponsorship of ICLE Seminar in February, 2006/Reception:**

Bluhm led discussion and asked whether a reception should be held following the meeting at the MSU Management Center, Troy Campus. There was further discussion regarding where the reception might be held and it was tentatively decided to find a location other than the MSU Management Center. An announcement that there will be a Section reception afterwards will be made and a handout for the Summer Seminar will be made available at the conference. The Council will plan on conducting a meeting that afternoon as well.

### **Summer Seminar:**

Sluggett said he would re-send the list of possible topics and speakers to Council members to solicit further input. He then went over the proposed topics. Beach noted that MAMA has discussed how seminars should be handled going forward. That policy will involve allowing MAMA and the PCLS to choose topics and speakers and then leave to staff to get reports and handouts prepared. Beach also noted that the Grand Hotel has asked for a determination regarding where the 2007 Summer Seminar will be held. It was generally agreed that a decision will be made soon with hope that the survey could give some direction. Fisher noted that the Section should line up a location now for the receptions; the front porch of the Grand Hotel, the Governor's Mansion and Fort Mackinac were all mentioned as possible reception sites. Several members indicated that they would check on the possibility of sponsoring receptions. Suggestions for activities at the Seminar included another Bocce Ball tournament and/or island walk with a guide.

### **New Business:**

Fisher led a discussion regarding the memorandum received from the Community Rights Council in Washington, D.C., with respect to wetland cases currently pending before the United States Supreme Court. It was agreed that Fisher would forward information to the Michigan Township Association, Michigan Association of Counties, the Drain Commissioners and MAMA.

### **Communications, Announcements and ListServe**

There was nothing to report.

### **Legislation:**

There was nothing to report.

### **Adjournment:**

So adjourned the meeting at approximately 11:35 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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Jeff Sluggett, Secretary/Treasurer