
Board for Professional Land Surveyors
Business Meeting
Meeting Minutes

DATE: August 2, 2023

TIME: 11:00 AM

LOCATION: 1100 N. Eutaw St.
5th Floor Conference Room
Baltimore, MD 21201
(Teleconference via Google Meet)

MEMBERS PRESENT: John V. Mettee III, *Chair*
Tammy Rollins, *Vice-Chair*
Thomas M. Orisich, *Land Surveyor*
T.J. Frazier, *Land Surveyor*
Jeanne Nebre, *Land Surveyor*

MEMBERS ABSENT: Derrick McLaughlin, *Consumer Member*

STAFF PRESENT: Zevi Thomas, *Executive Director*
Matthew Venuti, *Board Counsel*
Faith Green, *Board Administrator*

OTHERS PRESENT: Rob Kundrick, *Maryland Society of Surveyors*
Bryan Haynie, *Maryland Society of Surveyors*

Meeting Called to Order

Chair John V. Mettee III called the business meeting of the Maryland Board for Professional Land Surveyors to order at 11:02 a.m.

Approval July 5, 2023 Minutes

Members of the Board reviewed the meeting minutes for July 5, 2023. Motion (I) was made by Mr. Orisich, seconded by Ms. Rollins, and unanimously carried by the Board to approve minutes with corrections.

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Correspondence

None

New Business

Maryland Society of Surveyors (MSS) Annual Fall Meeting

Mr. Orisich inquired if there were any matters that needed to be discussed regarding the MSS annual meeting. Mr. Thomas responded that no further details beyond the dates and starting time of the conference have been provided.

Mr. Orisich further inquired if the members of the Board could be listed as speakers at this year's annual meeting. Mr. Mettee responded that he preferred not to change the format from the previous year.

Old Business

Review of NCEES Annual Meeting Motions

Ms. Nebre informed the Board that multiple virtual meetings have taken place regarding the motions. During the second meeting, it was decided to include the language of incidental drainage to further explore how it can be feasibly included. Ms. Nebre continued to state that it is being approached to state that the EPS (Examination for Professional Surveyors) Committee's motion is out of order, and does not follow the rationale of the 2019 annual meeting.

Ms. Nebre stated that North Carolina will talk to the parliamentarian to ensure that it will be an amended motion, not a new motion. Ms. Nebre will introduce the motion during NCEES Business Meeting and Virginia will second. Mr. Mettee inquired to Ms. Nebre if there was a champion for the motion in each zone to which she confirmed.

Executive Director's Report

Mr. Thomas informed the Board that on July 19, 2023, the legislative concept sheet for the Board's sunset extension was sent to the Office of the Secretary. He added that he is currently working with Mr. Venuti on the proposed updates to the Board Regulations which also require feedback from Board members.

Board Counsel Report

Mr. Venuti stated that there was nothing to report beyond the concept sheet for legislative sunset extension and the changes to the regulations which Mr. Thomas previously stated.

Mr. Orisich inquired if the Department has any proposed legislation moving forward this year. Mr. Venuti responded that the other Design Boards had amendments, but the Board for Professional Land Surveyors did not. Mr. Thomas emphasized that the Board's sunset extension was the highest priority matter at the moment.

Maryland Society of Surveyors

Mr. Kundrick reported the following:

- Plans for the Town Hall meeting which will be held at the annual fall conference will be held separately and not during lunch. The exact time for the meeting is not confirmed, but the program is near completion.
- The MSS Board has put forward 3 candidates for the technical review in response to the Board's 06/23 correspondence that was received.
- The MSS Board of Directors had a joint meeting with CCBC regarding Minor in Engineering (ME) courses. There will be credited courses at CCBC for Storm Drain. All 4 ME courses will be offered during each semester.

Mr. Frazier inquired if these classes were replacing the standard classes. Mr. Kundrick confirmed that they were being replaced.

Mr. Haynie reported that the revamping of the mentoring program will be presented at MSS Annual Fall Conference.

Review of Applications

Mr. Frazier stated the review process is ongoing.

Complaint Committee Report

Mr. Orisich reported the following:

- 04-LS-20: Requires request for technical review
- 06-LS-23: Submitted to the Office of Administrative Hearings for their hearing
- 12-LS-23: Requires the Committee to choose an individual for the technical review
- 17-LS-23: Closed
- 01-LS-21: Request to re-open has been denied.

Motion (II) was made by Ms. Rollins, seconded by Mr. Frazier, and unanimously carried by the Board to approve the Complaint Committee Report.

Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss, Motion (III) was made by Mr. Frazier, seconded by Ms. Rollins, and unanimously carried by the Board to adjourn the meeting at 11:36 a.m.

Chair's Signature: Signature on File

Date: 09/06/2023