



MEETING MINUTES

Present: Jacob Rushlow, Ron Brenke, Brad Ewart, Tim Bradshaw, Chris Owen, Andrew Rossell, Lucas Porath

1. Meeting called to order at 9:03 am – J. Rushlow
2. Agenda approved unanimously with motion by T. Bradshaw and second by C. Owen.
3. Meeting Minutes:
 - a. September meeting minutes approved unanimously with motion by T. Bradshaw and second by C. Owen.
 - b. October meeting minutes approved unanimously with motion by B. Ewart and second by T. Bradshaw.
4. Correspondence:
 - a. Branches
 - i. SE Branch CYM – Discussed MRLC request for financial support (up to \$2,000).
 - C. Owen made a motion to support MRLC request in the amount of \$1,000, which is consistent with 11B ASCE Special Projects line item in our budget. Motion seconded by A. Rossell and approved unanimously.
 - b. National
 - i. Portage Bridge selected as a Civil Engineering National Historic Landmark – dedication ceremony TBD. J. Rushlow and C. Owen plan to be involved.
 - ii. 2020 Life Member Request – distribution of Life Member certificates begins on 12/1 – Branches who have recognition ceremonies can coordinate with National directly.
 - c. Region 3 Update – N/A
5. Treasurer's Report
 - a. Section Financials – R. Brenke
 - i. Oct 19 Financial Report
 - b. Review of Financial Statements – R. Brenke



- c. Payment of Bills:
 - i. Motion to approve by A. Rossell with second by C. Owen – approved unanimously.
 - d. Bank account signatories – 5/3rd bank immediately after this meeting
 - i. B. Ewart and C. Owen are currently listed on the account. A. Rossell and J. Rushlow will be added.
6. Committee Reports
- a. Scholarship
 - i. Selection process guidelines – C. Owen will follow up.
 - b. Awards – no updates.
 - c. QBS Coalition Meeting – no updates.
 - d. Legislative updates – R. Brenke
 - i. SB/HB
 - 10 bill transportation packages being considered in house and senate.
 - (SB 517) require MDOT to engage a consultant to conduct a feasibility study on tolling the interstate highways. Passed out of Committee.
 - (SB 520) Warranty requirement changes on state/local projects; bond requirement changes – contractor can put up prequal in lieu of a warranty bond.
 - (HB 4476) raise competitive bid requirement for construction projects (from \$100K to \$500K)
 - (SB 518 & 519) Replace Federal aid revenue that goes to local agencies with state funds.
 - (HB 4691) bill to regulate the creation of Stormwater Management Utilities by local units of government.
 - (SB 431) Mining bill that moves authority from the local level to state level for approval to mine aggregates.
 - e. Communications/Publications – R. Brenke
 - i. Branch News Information to be included in the Michigan Engineering Newsletter
 - f. Webpage updates – R. Brenke
 - i. Added officers, conferences and by-laws.
 - ii. Meeting minutes will be added.
 - g. Infrastructure Conference
 - i. May 12, 2020, Kalamazoo – Radisson
 - R. Brenke will organize a committee from our board.



7. Old Business
 - a. None
8. New Business
 - a. MRLC for Regions 3,6,7: January 9-11, 2020 – Detroit
 - i. Section delegate – registration deadline is Nov 8, 2019 – extended until 11/22 – L. Porath will register this week.
 - ii. CYM social events open to all members
 - b. Legislative Fly-In – Washington DC, March 11-12, 2020
 - i. Application period opens October 1, 2019 – T. Bradshaw
 - c. AESLC Legislative Day – Lansing, March 17, 2020
 - d. Construction Science Expo – Detroit, May 19, 2020
 - e. J. Rushlow will talk with Nancy at ASCE National to verify that our UP Branch is eligible to attend the Region conference.
9. Next meeting dates:
 - a. December 17th
10. Adjournment at 10:07am. with motion by B. Ewart and second by C. Owen.