

**MACPRO Meeting**  
**Tuesday, February 14, 2006**  
**6:30 p.m., MRPA Presidential Suite**  
**Detroit Marriot Renaissance Center**

*Note: Because of the “transfer of power” in the meeting, minutes are not as detailed as usual – future minutes will provide more detail.*

- I. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President Brochu in the MRPA Presidential Suite at the Detroit Marriot Renaissance Center  
  
People present: John Schumde-Saginaw County; John Scholtz-Ottawa County; Mark Brochu-St. Clair County; Ken Elwert-Lapeer; Dan Stencil – Oakland County; Dan Patton – Eaton County; Mike McDonald – Ingham County; Christina Egeler – Clinton County; Mike Maisner – MRPA
- III. Agenda was approved as presented.
- IV. Minutes were approved as presented.
- V. Treasurer’s report was passed out by Brochu. Discussion ensued. Dan Stencil suggested that future reports show expenditures approved in prior meetings should be shown as encumbrances until actually spent.  
**Treasurer’s report showed a balance of \$ 9,826.61.**
- VI. A unanimous ballot was passed for the following officers:
  - a. President – John Scholtz
  - b. Vice President – Dan Stencil
  - c. Treasurer – Roger Sabine
  - d. Secretary – Ken Elwert
- VII. Legislative updates
  - a. Michigan SB 971 & 971 – would make it more difficult for the DNR to sell property. Bills would require another layer of approval prior to sale.
- VIII. National Legislative Forum
  - a. Forum seemed better organized and better reception of issues on part of legislators than prior events.
- IX. Unemployment issues – Elwert brought up concern over increased fillings for unemployment on the part of seasonal employees. Options discussed included pursuing possible legislation and offering winter employment to summer seasonal help.
- X. Comden v State of Michigan – no change in status, although consensus was it will be heard.
- XI. MRPA Conference – Mike Maisner – Conference going well. Current registrations at 450 (non-Detroit conferences usually around 400) with more expected to trickle in as conference continued.
- XII. State Trail Leases & PILT Payments - No Report
- XIII. Trails & Greenways Legislative Day – no Report
- XIV. MNRTF Grant Selection Workshop – Brochu – Need to communicate concerns to new MNRTF Board Members. Expressed support for the excellent job that is done by the trust fund office staff.
- XV. Roundtable – various issues discussed
- XVI. 2006 Meeting dates and locations
  - May 12 - Ottawa County
  - Aug. 11 - Ingham County
  - November 17 - Eaton County(joint meeting with MRPA :Public Policy)
- XVII. Meeting Adjourned