

Space Coast Chapter Meeting Minutes

Date: May 12, 2009

Location: Duffy's Sports Grill Melbourne, Florida

Time Meeting Began: 6:30 p.m.

in Attendance: 11

Anti-Trust Statement: This meeting shall be conducted in strict compliance with all Federal and State Anti-Trust rules and regulations. Members of this chapter and all others present are not here to violate any Anti-Trust laws.

Announcements: President David Silon informed membership that we had \$449.00 in the 50/50 raffle, with tickets being available for \$1 each, or 6 for \$5.

Membership was informed that the chapter would give a F.S.M.S. mouse pad to any member (sponsor) that would bring a potential member to a meeting. If that person decides to become a member the sponsor would receive a F.S.M.S. cooler and a festival tee shirt. Sarah Williams then informed us that she has become an Associate member.

A request was made for additional volunteers for the Oyster Mat Deployment. David ended his announcements by informing members that following the meeting we would have a auction for a couple of framed posters not auctioned at the Festival.

Director Donald Lanthorne informed membership that the National Geodetic Survey is offering free online seminars (not recognized by the D.B.P.R. as C.E.C.s).

Guest Speaker: Brian Morse, the President of Advanced Surveying Technology, gave a one-hour presentation on Civil 3D for surveyors. Members were encouraged to ask questions and Brian covered as much as he could in one hour.

Secretary's Report: David Silon recited the minutes from the April meeting. Membership was asked if there were any topics that we wanted to revisit. After nobody responded Vice-President Donald Richter made a motion to accept the report, second by Kurt Stafflinger. The motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: By David Silon (John Gargis could not make the meeting)

General Account	Income	<u>\$4,635.00</u>
	Expense	<u>\$739.00</u>
	Balance	<u>\$6,412.83</u>
Scholarship Account	Income	<u>\$0.00</u>
	Expense	<u>\$0.00</u>
	Balance	<u>\$567.94</u>

David Silon informed he membership during the November meeting Kay Gargis informed membership that \$1000 was borrowed from the scholarship account to pay for the production of the 2009 Florida Surveyor Calendars. The intent was that once we made enough money to cover the cost of the calendars that money would be returned to the Scholarship Account. Since neither Kay nor John was present, David informed the membership that he would bring this concern to them via email.

Directors Report: Donald Lanthorne informed membership that a vote occurred on May 8th to have the B.P.S.M. move from the D.B.P.R. to the D.O.A. If Governor Crist accepts this move it will occur on October 1st.

Donald let everyone know that he will have forms for all of the F.S.M.S. service awards at the June meeting. David Silon then informed the members that he has those forms available if anybody is interested.

Donald then informed the members that he would be the guest speaker at the July meeting. One of the main topics of discussion would be the proposed Hometown Democracy Act.

Old Business: Kay Gargis, Chairperson of the **Ways and Means Committee**, was not in attendance.

The Brevard County Section participated in the Touch a Truck public outreach program on May 9th at Wickham Park. The event was from 11am to 2pm and simply put is a program designed to educate the public about the various types of blue-collar work being done throughout Brevard County. Mike Hazelwood, Brian Dolan and Ryan Rincones participated in the event.

David Silon represented the chapter at the Public Outreach Program for Business at Brevard Community College. The purpose of this program was to inform the president of the college the needs our profession has in educating our youth and preparing them for a career in surveying.

New Business: Susan Jackson, Chairperson of the **2009 Florida Surveyor's Festival**, was not in attendance. David Silon informed membership that he would like to have an in depth discussion at the June meeting concerning the future of the festival. Members were made aware that the state is not interested in hosting the event, but would rather encourage chapters to have a celebration locally during National Surveyor's Week.

David Silon informed membership that he has discussed with Susan Jackson, the Brevard County Surveyor, and plans to contact the City of Palm Bay Surveyor to about having a meeting dedicated to Government Surveyors. The purpose is to allow our members to see what information that we have available and the proper procedures for the private surveyor to acquire that information. This will also give members the opportunity to request services that would assist their practice.

In addition to the discussion during the Treasurer's Report, David informed the membership that he has not advertised the local Space Coast Chapter Scholarship. We also discussed a possible fundraiser for the scholarship in July. David expressed a desire to instead donate \$1000 to F.S.M.S. during the conference for their scholarship. A vote was not taken at this time since our Treasurer was not present.

David Silon informed members that we would have our nominations for chapter officers at the June meeting. He expressed the desire for different members to step up for these positions as we are best served with new ideas on what the chapter's direction should be.

Mike Hazelwood drew both winning tickets for the 50/50 raffle. He did not pull the blue marble. The jackpot now stands at \$449.00, with 72 white marbles and 1 blue one (the winning marble).

Before a motion to adjourn was made David asked if anyone would be interested in meeting the minimum bid for our auction items. There was no interest.

Adjournment: At 9:05 p.m. a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Donald Richter, second by Joseph Hale, the motion passed unanimously.