



MCDA General Meeting
Thursday, August 13, 2015
10:00 a.m.

The MCDA General Membership Meeting was held via teleconference call on Thursday, August 13, 2015. Present were:

Darryl Sterling, MCDA President

Gail Chase, MCDA Vice President

Tracey Steuber, MCDA Member, Town of Lisbon

Stephen Dyer, MCDA Director, Ransom Consulting Inc

Tom Martin, MCDA Director, Hancock County Planning Commission

Scott Laflamme, MCDA Member, City of Bath

Jamie Francomano, MCDA Member, Town of Rockport

Nancy Ketch, MCDA Member, Town of Houlton

Rodney Lynch, MCDA Past President, Town of Thomaston

Deborah Johnson, MCDA Member, DECD Office of Community Development Director

Suzie Paradis, MCDA Member, Town of Madawaska

1. **Welcome and Introductions:** Darryl Sterling, MCDA President, called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m.
2. **July 9, 2015 Meeting Minutes:** Moved by Steve Dyer and seconded by Scott Lamflamme to approve the minutes as presented. Motion passed.
3. **Treasurer's Report:** Motion by Tom Martin and seconded by Nancy Ketch to accept the Financial Report dated July, 2015. Motion passed.
4. **Subcommittee Reports:**
 - a. **Membership:** Steve Dyer reported that total membership to date is 49.
 - b. **Professional Development:** Members agreed that this year's guest speaker should be from Connect ME Authority and the topic would tie in with MMA's Convention theme of 'broadband'. The MCDA Annual Meeting will be held at Margarita's Restaurant on Thursday, October 8, 2015 beginning at 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. with luncheon served at 12:00 noon.
 - c. **Communications/Newsletter:** Joella Theriault was away on vacation. No updates available at this time.
 - d. **Nominations:** Draft Ballot of Officers was presented for voting at the Annual Meeting.

5. **MCDA Annual Meeting:**
 - a. Reserve MMA Booth – Booth #81 has been reserved.
 - b. Guest Speaker – ConnectME Authority. Speaker to be announced at a later date.
 - c. Reserve Margarita's for Annual Meeting – Reservations have been made.
6. **Reduced Membership Dues:** It was the consensus of members that the membership dues remain at \$100 and the possibility of reducing fees for retirees only at \$50. This will need to be voted on by a majority of members.
7. **Next Meeting Date:** The next regularly scheduled meeting is for Thursday, September 10, 2015.

Submitted by,

Darryl Sterling
MCDA President