



Thursday, October 6, 2016
ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
10:00 A.M.

*Season's Grille & Sports Lounge
427 Main Street
Bangor, ME 04401*

MEETING MINUTES

1. ***Welcome and Introductions by Gail Chase, President MCDA 2015-2017:*** Meeting called to order at 12:02 p.m. See the attached sign-in sheet for attendance.
2. ***Approval of September 8, 2016 Meeting Minutes:*** Moved by T. Levesque to approve the meeting minutes as presented; seconded by T. Steuber. Motion passed.
3. ***Treasurer's Report and Financials:*** Moved by T. Levesque to approve the financials as presented; seconded by T. Steuber. Motion passed.

Review and discussion on the 2017 Proposed Budget; 1) Item 50202 has no description; it should be for printing and 2) Item 50502 – Travel: This category is for attending COSCDA conferences and it was noted that a \$500 budget is not sufficient for travel expenses. The line item can be amended at a later date, if needed.

4. ***Election of Officers 2016 – Nominations Committee:*** T. Levesque presented the slate of officers as follows:

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| a. Suzie Paradis, Town of Madawaska | Member At Large for 2 Years |
| b. Anne M. Krieg, Town of Bridgton | Member At Large for 2 Years |

See attached Other Executive Committee Members for complete listing of officers. Moved by J. Edgerton to approve the slate of officers as presented; seconded by T. Steuber. Motion passed.

5. ***Secretary's and Newsletter Report – Joella R. Theriault:*** J. Theriault reported that during this past year, there were three newsletters and one annual report generated. The next quarterly newsletter will be the October-December issue and news articles are welcomed at any time. The newsletter is scheduled to be issued sometime the first week of January, 2017.

- 6. Membership Report – Tony Levesque:** T. Levesque reported that we currently have 46 members including Christopher Winstead’s recent membership and 10 unpaid members. G. Chase recognized Tom Martin for his responsiveness and devotion as an MCDA Member. T. Martin’s term as a member of the Board expired on October 8, 2015.
- 7. Professional Development Committee Report – Steve Dyer:** The Committee will meet to strategize and provide a full report at the next meeting.
- 8. Remarks by Deborah Johnson, Director, Office of Community Development, DECD:** Report by Deborah Johnson:
 - a.** Terry Ann Holden, Development Program Manager at OCD was presented with the Maine Development Foundation’s Downtown Visionary Award. The award was presented to Terry Ann for her role in promoting downtown revitalization. The award presentation was given by Jon Edgerton.
 - b.** Save the Date: There will be a public hearing on Friday, November 4, 2016 at 11:00 a.m. at the DECD Office to solicit comments on the 2017 CDBG Proposed Program Statement. Written comments will be accepted until 4:00 p.m. on November 14, 2016.
 - c.** COSCDA: The National COSCDA Conference will be held in Portland in September, 2018. At the last conference held in 2002, MCDA was the conduit for fundraising for this event and it is hoped that MCDA can assist again for 2018.
 - d.** The Office of Community Development has expanded to include other than the CDBG Program with the Maine Made program, code enforcement officer training, and now the public safety program.
- 9. Next Meeting Date:** The next general membership meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 8, 2016 via teleconference call.
- 10. Guest Speaker – Tanya Emery, Director of Community and Economic Development, City of Bangor:** T. Emery described the City of Bangor as a timber and shipping industry. As these industries began to decrease, the waterfront became a waste land. The City recognized the waterfront as an asset to the city and began the waterfront development project, which took more than 20 years and \$15,000,000 to reclaim the waterfront. In 2002, the National Folk Festival was the catalyst for the many concerts held at the waterfront. The waterfront transformation has been a huge benefit to the city and the regional economy.
- 11. Adjourn:** Meeting adjourned at 2:05 p.m.

Sincerely,

Joella R. Theriault
MCDA Secretary

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Meetings are held the second Thursday of every other month. In the event that the second Thursday falls on a holiday, the meeting will be held on the next business day.