



Annual Luncheon and Business Meeting Minutes

October 8, 2009

Augusta Civic Center – MMA Convention

1. **Welcome and Introductions** by Tony Levesque, President, MCDA

Present: See Attached Sign-in Sheet

2. **Election of Officers:** Steve Dyer, Member of the Nomination Committee read the list of nominations as follows:

President -	James Gulnac, Town of Sanford
Vice President -	Rodney Lynch, City of Rockland
Treasurer -	Ron Harriman, Ron Harriman Associates
Secretary -	Joella R. Theriault, Northern Maine Development Commission
Member at Large -	Gail Chase, Kennebec Valley Council of Governments
Member at Large -	Darryl Sterling, Town of Richmond

Moved by Mike Baran to have secretary cast one ballot for the proposed slate of officers as presented; seconded by Al Smith. Motion passed with no opposition. Mike Baran also pointed out that under the leadership of Tony Levesque, this organization has turned a \$100 fund balance into a \$10,000 balance. The audience responded with a round of applause.

3. **Review of the August 21, 2009 Meeting Minutes:** Moved by James Gulnac to approve the minutes as presented; seconded by Matt Eddy. Motion passed with no opposition.

4. **Treasurer's Report:** Tony Levesque reported that the fund balance was \$9,165 as of September 30. This is \$1,160 less than the financial report of August 31, 2009, which can be found on Page 2 of the Annual Report. Moved by Al Smith to accept the financial report; seconded by Steve Dyer. Motion passed with no opposition.

5. **Correspondence:** Tony Levesque shared with MCDA members the cards/letters of appreciation from the families of Charles Upton and Bob Dodge as a result of the presentation of Lifetime Awards during the CDBG Appreciation Day.

6. **Update from DECD/OCD and COSCDA Conference:** Mike Baran reported that the CDBG budget looks good for the upcoming year – approximately \$14 million for State of Maine. There will also be an initiative on the June ballot that MCDA should support. It is the Community For Maine's Future program. This could be a significant tool for municipalities.

The 2010 CDBG Program has been adopted and will soon be up on the website. Mike Baran thanked his staff for the great job they are doing in his absence. CDBG Application Workshops will be held throughout the state on October 27, 2009.

Rodney Lynch will be representing MCDA at the national convention on October 25 to 28, 2009 in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. The focus of this convention will be on the stimulus package. Without OCD's presence, this will be a good meeting for MCDA to attend and obtain information so that they can get this back to the organization.

Al Smith announced that this Saturday, October 10th is the 11th Annual Citizen Involvement Day in Bath and urged everyone to attend.

7. **Next Meeting:** The next meeting will be a teleconference to be held on Friday, November 20, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. Mike Baran will set up the teleconference and e-mail the phone number and directions to access soon.
8. **Other:** Tony Levesque will be presenting an award to Mary Walton on behalf of MCDA for her years of service on the Board of Directors. Mary was not able to attend due to illness.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joella R. Theriault
MCDA Secretary