



Maine Community Development Association

Thursday, August 8, 2019
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
10:00 A.M.

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MEETING MINUTES

1. **Welcome and Introductions by Stephen Dyer, President MCDA 2017-2019:** The meeting was called to order at 10:03 a.m. In attendance were:

Stephen Dyer
Tracey Steuber
Nancy Ketch
Jen Peters

Cary Tyson
Rodney Lynch
Joella R. Theriault

2. **Changes or additions to agenda:** None
3. **Approval of June 13, 2019 Meeting Minutes:** Moved by J. Peters and seconded by T. Steuber to approve the meeting minutes as presented. The vote was unanimously in favor.
4. **Treasurer's Report:** Moved by T. Steuber and seconded by N. Ketch to approve the June Treasurer's Report as presented. The vote was unanimously in favor.
5. **Progress on the website:** J. Theriault updated the progress made to date. The new website at <http://mainecda.org/dev> is not appealing and J. Theriault asked that members offer suggestions to enhance the website. Other than photos that were submitted to MMA for uploading, the website is 99% complete. There was some discussion for entries under the Training and Events tab. Members are asked to submit any training workshops, grant opportunities, events, etc. to J. Theriault, which she will then share with the Communications Subcommittee for approval prior to posting.

6. Status of Subcommittees and Subcommittee Reports:

i. Membership: Tabled

ii. Professional Development: T. Steuber reported that on Wednesday, October 2, Mike Baran of MaineHousing would be presenting an “Aging in Place” workshop, which is co-sponsored with MCDA. On Thursday, October 3, MCDA will be holding its annual meeting and luncheon at Season’s Grille in Bangor. Denise Lord of MaineHousing will be the guest speaker and will present the various programs available. J. Theriault requested a photo and bio of the guest speaker in order to prepare the registration brochure. The brochure will be submitted to all members requesting their attendance in order for a count for the luncheon.

iii. Communications/Newsletter: The April-June, 2019 newsletter has been published and is available on the website. The next Newsletter will be incorporated with the Annual Report, so any articles that members want included should be submitted to J. Theriault.

7. Remarks by Deborah Johnson, Office of Community Development: Tabled

8. Next Meeting Date – October 3, 2019

9. Other Business:

a) **MCDA Meeting Calendar:** The meeting calendar for the upcoming year is established at the Annual Meeting. S. Dyer proposed that regardless whether a guest speaker has been secured a Spring Session should be scheduled so that members can plan on attending. The Professional Development Committee will work towards securing a speaker for that session.

b) **DECD:** J. Peters stated that DECD has intentions of hiring a new position that would focus on community development. S. Dyer also mentioned that Heather Johnson, the Commissioner for Maine Department of Economic and Community Development, was a guest on Maine Calling (August 5, 2019) and talked about a variety of programs available at DECD.

c) **Nominations:** There was some discussion regarding the nomination of members for the upcoming year. Should anyone be interested in serving on the Executive Board and/or Board of Directors, they should contact Tony Levesque. Vacancies include Vice President position, Scott Laflamme and Darryl Sterling terms on the Board of Directors are also expiring.

10. Adjourn: Moved and seconded by adjourn at 10:31 a.m.

Submitted by,

Joella R. Theriault
MCDA Secretary

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