

INTERNATIONAL RIGHT OF WAY ASSOCIATION

Arctic Trails Chapter 71
Executive Board Meeting
January 15, 2020

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 12:11 p.m. by the President, Steve Taylor, in Brewsters Restaurant, Airport Way, Fairbanks Alaska.

Roll Call: Present were Tim Sprout SR/WA, Cora Shook, Jacquie Goss R/WA, Stu Pechek, Steve Taylor, and George Stefan.

President's Report: Steve reported:

- There will be a celebration in memory of Charlie up at Birch Hill this summer.
- Sharon and Pat requested an excused absence for today's meeting because they're in Costa Rica.

Approval of the Minutes: Stu moved to approve the minutes of the November 20, 2019 Executive Board meeting and Cora seconded. The minutes were approved with two corrections: spelling of Jacquie's name and Stu clarified that Denny's requires a minimum of \$100 for the entire group for use of their conference room

Treasurers Report: Steve reported for Terry that the checking account balance was \$2,845.81 and that we will reimburse Jacquie \$273.56 for the Chapter Meet & Greet expenses following the C225 course.

Committee Reports

Education (Steve Taylor, chair): Steve reported the following for this spring's Know Your Property seminar:

- He is working with John Bennett for John's recertification with the State of Alaska Real Estate Commission as an instructor to provide continuing education credits.
- The seminar will still be free for the general public, and we'll have a higher registration fee for those seeking continuing education credits: realtors, surveyors, IRWA professionals.
- He suggested Bryant Wright present on trails across private property.

Tim recommended the seminar be called Know Your Property II to give it a new, updated course name for continuing credit purposes. Stu suggested that FNSB Platting and Planning present again and that DOT present on permits and driveways. Steve recommended that fire service areas and road service areas be topics. Tim suggested the base flood elevation topic. The question came up of sponsorship and surveying companies, with perhaps reaching out to Design Alaska. Jacquie recommended that highway right-of-way be a topic to educate on those particular property encumbrances. Stu followed that the width of rights-of-way are sometimes unknown, especially those that are very wide. The discussion of the seminar's target audience came up, with realtors being an audience since they need to know of the home's potential issues and associated property issues. Steve mentioned that we're looking for appraiser certification this time for continuing education credits.

Membership (Tim Sprout, chair): Tim reported we have two new pending memberships, Dan Welch and Rich Ackerman from FNSB Land Management. Cora moved to approve Dan Welch and Rich Ackerman as new IRWA members, Steve seconded, and all approved. Steve inquired as to how often the membership directory is updated. Tim said he'd update the email list and will follow up on the IRWA Headquarters website directory. Jacquie said she'd update the IRWA Friends list. Tim will update the IRWA Chapter 71 Google groups list and see if other members can also revise the list and if it requires two-party authorization to do so. Steve announced that John Bennett has recertified his SR/WA.

Professional Development (Pat Thayer, chair): No updates.

Program (Cora Shook, chair): Cora proposed that Wednesday is a preferable day for program presentations, and Steve offered that it comes down to really any day that we can get a speaker. Cora said she'd reach out to Miguel's again, and Stu followed that it requires a minimum of 20 people for their taco bar. Jacquie recommended we order off the menu in case we don't get the 20 attendees. Tim mentioned the noise factor and the screen being hard to read. Cora said she'd be out of town for half of February.

Web & Blog (Vacant): No updates.

Nominations (Sharon McLeod, chair): Steve reported several items from the email he sent out yesterday:

- The IRWA Vision Scholarship towards courses for those working towards RWA and RWP credentials
- IRWA on-line course fees are ½ off

New Business: Steve said we need a Fall Forum planning committee meeting, and he reminded that Larry said we want to market the forum at the March Spring Forum. Steve set up the meeting for January 22 at 12:30 at the Big Dipper. Tim asked about the last Fall Forum we hosted; Cora and Steve discussed it.

Old Business: Steve gave kudos to the great Holiday party Larry hosted, and he recapped the professional and employer awards.

Next board meeting: February 19 at Brewsters.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:12 p.m.

Minutes Approved 2/19/20 By:  Steve Taylor, President