



**WISCONSIN ASSOCIATION FOR FLOODPLAIN,
STORMWATER AND COASTAL MANAGEMENT**

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

October 8, 2009

2009 Annual Conference

Superior, WI

Attendees: Minal Hahm-M Squared Engineering, LLC
Charlene Johnson-City of Superior
Dave Fowler-MMSD
Tom Sear-S.E.H.
Roxanne Gray-Wisconsin Emergency Management
Dan Cook-GRAEF
Laura Kletti-SEWRPC
Cindi DeBruine-R.A. Smith National
Dan Carlton-PBS&J
Ryan Kloth-GRAEF
Dave Carlton-PBS&J
Jon Lefers-Montgomery Associates

I. Committees-2010

- A. Conference Committee Co-Chairs are Minal Hahm and Dan Cook.
- B. Newsletter Committee Chair is Cindi DeBruine.
- C. Stormwater Management Committee Chair is Laura Garold.
- D. Floodplain Management Committee Chair is Jon Lefers.
- E. Membership Committee Chair is Roxanne Gray.
- F. Coastal Management Committee Chair is Charlene Johnson.
- G. Awards Committee Chair is Gary Kolb.
- H. Website Committee Chair is Andy Wells.
- I. CFM Committee Chair is Minal Hahm.

Committee chairs need to send their contact information to Minal Hahm for future meeting notices and to Andy Wells at M Squared Engineering so the website can be updated.

II. 2009 Conference

- A. Dave Fowler mentioned that Minnesota would initially pay for this conference and WAFSCM would settle up with them at a later time.
- B. Charlene Johnson mentioned that our only cost for this conference was food. The total cost was approximately \$7,555 including taxes, gratuity, coffee in the rooms, ½ off on the cookies, and an added breakfast break.
- C. 133 people attended this year's conference; we were hoping for 150.
- D. Overall, the members thought that this conference was a successful one. We had good technical speakers, and the vendors were happy and received a lot of attention.
- E. S.E.H. printed the bi-fold "tent" of the sponsors that was placed on the tables. GRAEF formatted the conference brochure used for registration and advertising.

III. Website

- A. Sponsorships will remain posted on the WAFSCM website as conference sponsors.
- B. It was suggested, as part of the benefits of being a member that employment opportunities be posted on the website; this was proposed by Cindi DeBruine.
- C. The posting of employment opportunities was brought to a vote, no one was opposed and it was seconded by Laura Kletti.

IV. 2010 Conference

- A. The general consensus was that the conference for next year should be held in Wisconsin Dells. The meeting should be held in the same wing of the Kalahari.
- B. Suggestions were to hold the conference in early September, the 1st or 2nd week in October, or early November.

- C. It was suggested that coordination with APWA take place in regards to the conference; their conference was the week of 10-12-09. Tom Sear volunteered to be in charge of the coordination. The preferred joint conference would be with County Zoning Administrators.
 - D. One other suggestion for coordination was for someone to contact Gary Heinrichs regarding the Wisconsin County Code Administrators Conference. Roxanne Gray indicated that she would e-mail Gary.
 - E. Dave Fowler suggested that we could do training workshops the day before the conference-Wednesday, along with the field tour. The CFM exam review workshop should be shortened to 4 to 5 hours with a break for dinner; the examination should follow after dinner. Dave Fowler suggested having Floodplain 101 for a workshop. Breakout sessions would take place the second day.
 - F. We need to start thinking about what potential themes we could have for next year's conference.
 - G. We also need to start thinking about other groups we can invite to the conference, potential groups that were mentioned include: County Code Administrators, and the Southeast League of Mayors.
- V. Future Conferences
- A. Everyone was in favor of having another joint conference in 2011 with Minnesota and perhaps Illinois; Illinois has their main conference in March.
 - B. It would be nice to perhaps involve Iowa, they currently don't have a chapter but they are working on it.
 - C. La Crosse and Winona, MN were brought up as potential sites for the 2011 conference.
 - D. Ultimately, it would be nice to have a conference including us, Minnesota, Illinois, Iowa, and Indiana.
 - E. The 2012 conference will be our 10-Year Anniversary, it was agreed that this would be held in Milwaukee.
- VI. It was mentioned that ASFPM should be notified who our new officers and committee members are, Minal Hahm indicated that she would follow up on this.
- VII. We will be looking into making the Treasurer position a four year term; currently it is a two-year term. Karen Sands will remain Treasurer through the end of the

year to finish up the books through this year's (2009) conference, if she is comfortable doing so. Carrie Bristoll-Groll was elected Treasurer for 2010.

VIII. Meeting adjourned.