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Executive Board Meeting
Minutes
August 28, 2020

The MMANH Executive Board met on August 28th at 9:30 AM virtually via Zoom due to the Covid-19 pandemic. In attendance were President Laura Buono, 1st Vice-President Tom Aspell, 2nd Vice-President Scott Dunn, At-Large Board Member Naomi Bolton, Treasurer Walter Johnson, and Secretary Todd Selig. Absent: Past President Julie Glover

MMANH Members Lori Radke, Chris Janosa, Butch Burbank, Debra Doda, Ed Morris, Joe Devine, and Patricia Vinchesi from ICMA were also present at the start of the Executive Board meeting. Additional MMANH members joined as the hour moved closer to 10 AM, the scheduled start of the monthly educational program.

Scott Dunn moved the adoption of the draft minutes from June 19, 2020, seconded by Naomi Bolton, and unanimously approved. Walter Johnson abstained.

Tom Aspell made a motion to accept the June & July 2020 MMANH financials (Citizens Bank statements June 1 – July 31, 2020). We had a balance of \$90,926.88 and \$88,968.75, respectively. Not a lot of activity in July. NHMA dues payment was being processed. The financials look good at this time. It was seconded by Scott Dunn and approved unanimously.

Laura Buono reported that she had informed Ashley Methot from NHMA that MMANH would like to have a slot at the NHMA Annual Conference, although we do not as yet have a topic.

In terms of the upcoming ICMA Annual Digital Event Conference (UNITE) scheduled for September 23-26, 2020, Laura Buono mentioned that some folks may want to be on a team for registration purposes and that she would be willing to facilitate. She'll need the names by Monday, August 31st.

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For September, Scott Dunn reported he was happy to pull together a program, perhaps how to deal with properties that are dilapidated. People liked the idea. Todd Selig will organize the Zoom scheduling once dates/times have been confirmed by Scott.

Butch Burbank asked about getting together again in-person for MMANH monthly meetings. Laura Buono noted that the NHMA facility is currently closed for external group meetings so MMANH would have to find an alternative location. Laura Buono will get an idea from the membership. Tom Aspell will see what facilities might be available in the Concord area. Todd Selig noted that some members may have concerns about meeting again in-person during the pandemic and that if MMANH in-person meetings resumed, there should be an option for remote participation as well.

Patricia Vinchesi from ICMA gave a report on the upcoming ICMA Annual Digital Event Conference (UNITE) scheduled for September 23-26, 2020. There will be a mix of virtual educational opportunities including many 30-minute on demand sessions. She discussed many issues currently being addressed by ICMA on behalf of members including: pandemic, vacations, leave, college towns, systematic racism, social justice, diversity, resources for policies, etc. Patricia suggested folks reach out to her with any questions.

Laura Buono reported that she has been in contact with the Maine managers concerning the potential of organizing a get together. Nothing firm is in place as yet.

Walter Johnson suggested that the board discuss the 2021 MMANH budget at the upcoming September meeting.

At approx. 9:57 AM the Executive Board meeting was adjourned.

At 10 AM Scott Dunn introduced the featured speakers for today's educational program, NHRS Executive Director George Lagos and NHRS Public Information Officer Marty Karlon, concerning recently announced New Hampshire Retirement System rate increases impacting municipalities across NH.

All in all, there were about 23 participants on the Zoom call for the educational portion of the program.

Respectfully Submitted,

Todd Selig, Secretary