



MEETING MINUTES
March 12, 2021

Amy Griffin, President

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Tim Solinski, Vice President

Deanna Miglio, SR/WA, Treasurer

Meghan Bayer, Secretary

CHAPTER 53 MEETING – March 12, 2021 12:00PM

Location: Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams

CALL TO ORDER: Vice President Tim Solinski called the meeting to order at 12:07 PM.

PRESENT/INTRODUCTIONS: Vice President: Tim Solinski, Secretary: Meghan Bayer, Treasurer: Deanna Miglio, John Tekin, Chris Basista, Monica Rodriguez, Amanda Velarde, Cilia Villegas, Ernie Franzoy, Barry Phillips, Michelle Gaillour, Allison Getty, Scott Kerr, Marisa Trujillo, Ida Joann Blair, Christine Cruz, Cindy Spring, Fred Easton, Richard Sisson, and Mary Ann Westberg.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Ernie Franzoy moved to approve the March 12, 2021 Agenda. The motion was seconded by Deanna Miglio. Unanimous in favor.

APPROVAL MEETING MINUTES: Deanna Miglio moved to approve the January 8, 2021 Meeting Minutes. The motion was seconded by Ernie Franzoy. Unanimous in favor.

Professional Development Presentation - Presentation was given by Allison Getty

- Allison Getty, Environmental Compliance Lead/Project Manager from Tierra Right of Way Services, gave a presentation on the NEPA Process and Overview.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Treasurer– Deanna Miglio, SR/WA gave the report.
 - The Chapter’s balance is currently \$15,286.01.
 - The Chapter has a \$60.00 check to deposit.
- Membership – Marisa Trujillo gave the report.
- Marisa thanked everyone who participated in the survey. People provided helpful and insightful information in their responses.
 - We had 16 respondents to the survey.

- The majority of what people prefer is education events, chapter meetings, and Christmas parties. People want to see more events in the future. People are happy with the educational classes.
- We may try to do another survey at the end of the year.
- We are doing well with retaining members. We also have some new members joining.
- Education – Meghan Bayer gave the report.
 - Education classes are currently being offered virtually and organized by IRWA HQ. Meghan continues to compile a list of virtual live classes that are being offered by HQ and Monica sends it out each month.
 - Depending on the situation with COVID-19, Class 900 is planned for fall 2021. Marisa Trujillo is coordinating it and Tim Solinski will be teaching it.
 - We hope to resume in-person classes as normal in 2022.
- Professional Development - Deanna Miglio, SR/WA, gave the report.
 - Congratulations to all members who have achieved certifications!
 - Monica Rodriguez has obtained her SR/WA Designation
 - Michelle Gaillour has obtained her SR/WA Re-Certification
 - Michelle Gaillour has obtained her R/W-NAC Re-Certification

OLD BUSINESS:

- Spring Forum
 - Deanna Miglio reported that the Spring Forum is scheduled for next Friday, March 19, from 9 AM to 1 PM. The Chapter sent out Blue Jeans invitations for the event.
- National Education Conference – Ernie Franzoy
 - Will be held in San Antonio. It will be a hybrid with in-person and virtual sessions.
 - The Chapter typically makes a donation to the education auction. Deanna Miglio made a motion for the Chapter to donate up to \$175 to buy a gift for the IRWA education auction. Ernie Franzoy will purchase the gift and be reimbursed by the Chapter. Michelle Gaillour seconded the motion. Unanimous in favor.
 - There will be a golf tournament. The Chapter often sponsors Hole 9. This will be discussed at the Region Forum next week.
 - Monica Rodriguez received a scholarship from the Chapter to attend last year. She was unable to use it last year because of COVID. She is unable to attend the conference in-person this year. Tim Solinski stated that he thinks she can use the scholarship next year in 2022.
 - The Board of Directors meeting will be held virtually and live streamed so that board members can vote virtually. Deanna Miglio is the two-year director, and Amy Griffin is the four-year director. If they can attend virtually, they will be able to vote even if they can't attend the education conference in person.
- Nominations for Executive Officers – Ernie Franzoy
 - Ernie Franzoy requested nominations and volunteers to serve on the Executive Board.
 - Fred Easton reported that term limitations are suspended for the next fiscal year.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Fall 2021 Region 9 Forum in Glenwood Springs, CO
 - Chapter 6 made a \$4,000 deposit for the Region Forum last spring and received a credit to hold an event in the spring. Chapter 6 has requested to hold the Fall 2021 forum in Glenwood Springs, CO so they can use this credit.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Tim Solinski asked that people email Meghan Bayer if they have ideas for professional development topics.

ADJOURN:

Ernie Franzoy moved to adjourn the meeting and it was seconded by Deanna Miglio. All approved. The meeting was adjourned at 1:06 PM.