

# Ohio Valley Chapter Professional Land Surveyors of Ohio

Belmont, Guernsey, Harrison, Jefferson, Monroe & Washington Counties



## Next Meeting

Capraro's Restaurant  
135 E Main St  
Hopedale, OH  
Thursday, April 20, 2017 – 6:30 pm

## Officers 2017

Al Smith - President  
Don Kyer - Vice President  
Michael Fox - Secretary  
Richard Celestino - Treasurer  
Todd Henwood - Delegate  
- Alternate Delegate

## Minutes of March 30, 2017 Meeting

The Ohio Valley Chapter of the Professional Land Surveyors of Ohio met at the office of A. J. Smith, Inc., 855 National Road, Bridgeport, Ohio, March 30, 2017 at 7:00 pm. Attending were Chapter members Al Smith, Rick Celestino, Todd Henwood, Chuck Johnson and Don Pickenpough. The Chapter wishes to thank Al and Barb for refreshments. President Al Smith called the meeting to order at 7:25 pm. A quorum was present with 3 of 5 officers present.

Minutes of the March 2, 2017 meeting were accepted.

## Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Rick Celestino reported the checking account balance stands at \$10,133.18 after expenses of \$450 for two TVs for the Scholarship Raffle and \$50 for Fort Steuben dues. CD remains at \$1045.24.

## CPD Committee

Plans were reviewed for the upcoming CPD at Fort Steuben May 5. There have been 26 registrations received so far. Discussion ensued about plans to move the presentations to Froehlich's Classic Corner as we learned today there will be a substantial charge for the tent. Todd and Don will follow up with alternate plans. Overnight hotel reservations have been made for the speakers. The school house presentation for the July 27 meeting at JHA is on track.

## Delegate's Report

Delegate Todd Henwood attended the Executive Committee meeting March 3. There was a quorum and minutes were approved. James Wolfe was accepted as a Lifetime Member. Dean Ringle spoke at length on legislative issues. Bob Akins wants the Chapter to assist with Ohio Valley Frontier Days at Fort Steuben the first weekend in June. A motion was approved by the Executive Committee to donate \$200 to the Boy Scout Jamboree. Al will attend the April 7 Executive Committee meeting.

## Old Business

Comments have been heard with general dissatisfaction with NSPS membership and lack of relevance in NSPS emails. There are national issues which best fit NSPS, such as UAVs, while most local issues, such as licensure, are statewide in nature. Consensus is there are insufficient numbers to overturn NSPS membership as the vote passed 80% to join.

The Chapter was not successful in getting press coverage for National Surveyors Week, despite submissions to local newspapers, an oil and gas magazine, and promises of a local radio interview. More lead time was recommended for the future. There is opportunity for press coverage for the upcoming Fort Steuben event.

Chuck Johnson showed the new *Ohio Surveying Laws* book, which he had ordered from the PLSO office. Aerial photography has been captured for Belmont County, and a new web mapping site is set for internal review next week.

## New Business

Al Smith wrote a letter of support for Belmont College to apply for a grant for surveying equipment, as did Don for the GIS Department. Discussion continues for a surveying program with Belmont College and the University of Akron.

## Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 8:27 pm after a motion by Chuck Johnson and second by Todd Henwood.

The next Chapter meeting will be Thursday, April 20, 2017 at Capraro's Restaurant, 135 E Main St, Hopedale, Ohio. Meal will start at 6:30 followed by the meeting.

*Don Pickenpough for Michael Fox, Secretary*