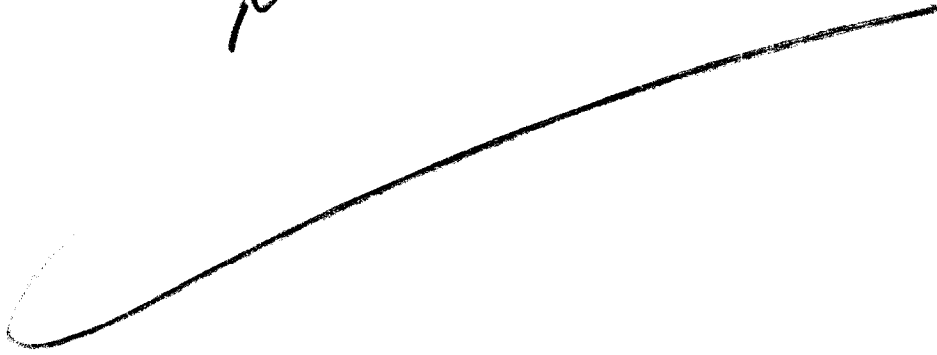


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**COUNCIL OF THE PUBLIC CORPORATION LAW
SECTION OF THE STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN**

Minutes of the Saturday, March 24, 2007 Meeting

A regular meeting of the Council of the Public Corporation Law Section of the State Bar of Michigan was held on Saturday, March 24, 2007 held in the offices of Mike Watz in Okemos, Michigan. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson, Lori Bluhm at approximately 10:00 a.m.

Members Participating In The Meeting Included:

W. Beach, L. Bluhn, P. Erickson, M. Fales (arriving somewhat late), D. Matson, C. McCone, C. Rosati (by cellular phone somewhere stuck on I-75), D. Schmidt, J. Slugget, K. So, D. Walling, M. Watz, Eric Williams

Excused were:

J. Beras, J. Branson (out of town), M. Howe (Running a training program), S. Morgan (on vacation), K. Schloff (work), J. Tamm (not working in Montana),

Unexcused were:

None

Amicus Brief

L. Bluhm indicated that Carole Rosati was caught in traffic on I-96 and wanted to join by phone to discuss the Amicus brief request regarding DiVergillo v. West Bloomfield Twp. Bill Hampton from Secrest Wardle had requested the PCLS to participate the Section had not received any requests for an amicus brief from the Supreme Court or any other public corporation since the last meeting.

Approval of Agenda

C. Rosati moved to approve agenda and Jim Tamm seconded. Approved unanimously.

Approval of Minutes of the February 16, 2007

Motion by C. Rosati to approve minutes of February 16, 2007. Seconded J. Tamm. Approved unanimously.

Treasurer Report

Treasurer reported that the Section had \$29,179.02 as of January 31, 2007.

C. Rosati moved to approve the Treasurer report. J. Tamm seconded. Approved unanimously.

Summer Seminar

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Adjournment

Chair declared meeting adjourned.

**COUNCIL OF THE PUBLIC CORPORATION LAW
SECTION OF THE STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN**

Minutes of the Friday, February 16, 2007 Meeting

A regular meeting of the Council of the Public Corporation Law Section of the State Bar of Michigan was held on Friday, February 16, 2007 in the historical halls of the Dearborn Inn, Dearborn, Michigan during the lunch hour of the PCLS Winter Seminar. The meeting started at approximately 12:00 a.m.

Members Participating Included:

W. Beach, J. Beras, L. Bluhn, J. Branson, P. Erickson, M. Fales, G. Fisher, M. Howe, D. Matson, C. Rosati, K. Schloff, J. Slugget, K. So, J. Tamm, D. Walling

Excused were:

D. Schmidt, C. McKone, M. Watza

Unexcused were:

S. Morgan, E. Williams

Approval of Agenda

C. Rosati moved to approve agenda and Jim Tamm seconded. Approved unanimously.

Approval of Minutes of the January 6, 2007

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2008 MAMA-PCLS Joint Summer Conference Locations

General difference from the Grand Hotel, Mackinac Island for all possible locations:

- Group will pay for AV equipment
- Room rates will be less for attendees
- We will have to sell tickets to the banquet for attendees to cover that cost or get considerable sponsorship.
- Number of activities available will be more limited.
- The last time we were away from the Grand numbers did decrease drastically, so marketing efforts will need to be beefed up.

Drummond Island

Where: Drummond Island Resort located on the Rock Golf Course (Top 10 Course in Michigan. It is a beautiful course and challenging.)

Rates:

Hotel - \$154 lodge room and \$299 Bayside Cottage (sleeps up to 4)

Meeting Room Charge - \$250

Greens fees - \$50 18 holes w/cart

Pros:

- Our group would be the only one staying there so it would have an exclusive feel.
- There are a lot of outdoor activities to be done on-site
 - Kayaking - can set up tour and kayak rental is free
 - Tennis
 - Bowling
 - Biking – rental is free
 - Canoeing – rental is free
 - Sporting Clays
 - Golfing – 1 18 hole course
 - Outdoor pool
- One reception could be a bonfire down by the lake
- There are beaches on the island that can be driven to.
- There is an off road park on the island now if anyone is interested in that.
- There are no attrition clauses in the contract, so we would not have to worry about these fees. Attrition clauses are generally applied to our room blocks and if we don't pick up enough we are still responsible for the contract number held. This gets interesting, because it becomes a game of making sure we have enough rooms without having too many.

Cons:

- It is an hour past the bridge. 15 miles north on 75 and 40 miles east on M-154. Then it's a short ferry ride (car ferry) over to the island.
- There is virtually no shopping on the island.
- It is an "odd" location, so we would really have to talk it up.
- Very weather dependent – So is Mackinac Island.

Boyne Mountain

Where: Mountain Grand Lodge

Rates:

Hotel - \$149 (standard room) - \$274 (2 bedroom suite)

Meeting Room Charge - \$0

Golf - \$69 18 holes w/cart

Pros:

- They have Michigan's largest indoor water park, so if the weather turns sour this is an option.
- There are 2 golf courses
- There is great shopping near by.
- The lodge is brand new.
- They have a full service spa.
- Service is good.
- Easy to get to and a recognizable location for many attendees.
- The group would be able to be housed in one building.

Cons:

- There is only golfing and the water park for on-site activities.
- The contract does feature an attrition clause. I will negotiate to allow more flexibility, but there is still no guarantee.
- Not all of the dining options are available in the summer.

Garland

Where: Garland Resort, Lewiston, MI

Rates:

Hotel - \$120 (standard room) - \$230 (2 bedroom condo and/or golf cottage) + \$7.50 amenity service fee per person per night.

Meeting Room Charge - \$100

Golf - \$70-\$95 18 holes w/cart

Pros:

- There are 4 golf courses now and they are currently building a 5th
- Outdoor activities include:
 - Golfing
 - Hiking
 - Biking
 - Swimming
- One reception could be outdoor on the conference patio.
- They have a full service spa.

Cons:

- The contract does feature an attrition clause. I will negotiate to allow more flexibility, but there is still no guarantee.
- Group will not all be able to stay in the same accommodations. Garland features several different options, so the group will be spread out.
- There is no cellular phone service.
- Can be difficult to find.
- The last time we were there, there were several on-site problems and billing issues. I have talked with the new banquet manager about these concerns and he indicated they had been resolved. There was considerable turn over and he indicated the training and procedures have been drastically improved.

COUNCIL OF THE PUBLIC CORPORATION LAW SECTION OF THE STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN

Minutes of the Saturday, January 6, 2007 Meeting

A regular meeting of the Council of the Public Corporation Law Section of the State Bar of Michigan was held on Saturday, January 6, 2007 by telephonic communication somewhere, many wheres, in the State of Michigan. The meeting started at approximately 10:02 AM.

Members participating included:

W. Beach, J Beras, L. Bluhm, J. Branson, P. Erickson, M. Fales, G. Fisher, M. Howe, D. Matson, C. McKone, S. Morgan, C. Rosati, K. Schloff, D. Schmidt, J. Sluggett, K. So, J. Tamm, D. Walling, M. Watza, and E. Williams.

Not participating was Stephan Morgan.

Fales moved and Beras supported to not excuse the absent member because he had not notified the Chair of his nonparticipation.

Approval of Agenda:

The Chair asked to defer discussion of the brochure for the Winter Seminar.

There was a motion by Fales, supported by Rosati, to approve the agenda as amended for the January 6, 2006 Council meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes of the November 4 Council Meeting:

Lori asked to delete the reference to the "dark side." Schmidt said he did not recommend anything about the Czymbor case. Schmidt also said his report was to go to the Chair rather than to the whole Council. McKone wanted his editorial comment deleted. Fisher wanted to qualify the description of his report.

Motion by Fisher, supported by Rosati, to approve the minutes, as amended, of the December 2, 2006 Council meeting as distributed. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report (September 30 Financials) :

Beach reported on the financials ending October 31, 2006.

There was a motion by Sluggett, supported by Rosati. Motion passed unanimously.

Amicus Brief Report

The Chair opened the discussion of the attorney fee, FOIA case. Fisher said it was critical and could open the door to FOIA cases. Schmidt added that this type of case gives attorneys a bad name. The Chair thought it would encourage lawsuits. Kester offered the PCLS should contribute \$2,500. Fales moved. Schloff seconded to add the PCLS support to the join brief with the MAMAs with an amount of \$2,500. Passed unanimously.

Discussion then turned to creating a set of guidelines for participating in amicus briefs because of the limited amount of funding available. The Chair suggested the council wait until the MAMAs meet and discuss the same at their Winter Retreat.

PCLS Quarterly

The Chair reported that she needed a new editor for the federal case decision summary. Erickson and Rosati offered to take it over. Erickson was to sponsor a conference call with the new editors to coordinate efforts. Fisher complemented the Chair on her article in the last quarterly. Watza, Beach and Erickson volunteered for the publication committee.

Report on Land Tribunal Act

The Chair reported that Rep. John Stakoe e-mailed about a meeting with the Tax Tribunal. Howe said the Administrative Law section received the same e-mail and declined to participate. Fisher suggested the Chair talk to Andy Schor at the MML to determine if the Democrats were going to do anything about the proposal in 2007. She said she would and report back.

Discussion of Winter Seminar

J. Tamm indicated that registration form was on the PCLS web site and in the latest Quarterly. It was agreed to hold the next meeting at lunch at the seminar. Jim stressed the need to have a head count, including students, seven days before the event.

Discussion of Summer Seminar

Beras reported on three topics and their speakers.

List Serve Rules

Marcia said they were not ready.

State Bar Activities

The Chair indicated that there was not a lot to report due to the holidays. She talked about the National Conference on Codification Laws which was received by Council members with "underwhelming" response.

Court of Appeals Request for Suggestion for Approval

Homeland Security, as suggested by someone after the fact, interrupted the meeting for a moment by disconnecting the call. The Chair asked if there were any suggestions to give Judge Whitbeck. Fisher asked about getting the "Commissioner's opinion" released before oral argument. Howe responded by stating that her committee was working on that.

Cracker Barrel Session

Lori reported that Hooters was before Troy City council on Monday night for possible settlement.

Kay stated that Hustler's request for reconsideration had been denied by the Detroit City Council.

Rosati asked about the Open Meetings violation caused by the township attorney cutting off debate by having council adjourn a meeting in the middle of a statement by a citizen.

Beras reported on his RILUPA case

Adjournment

Bluhm adjourned the meeting without motion and without objection of the membership at approximately 11:07 AM. The next meeting will be held on February 16, 2007.

Respectfully submitted,

William Beach
Secretary-Treasurer

COUNCIL OF THE PUBLIC CORPORATION LAW SECTION OF THE STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN

Minutes of the December 2, 2006 Meeting

A regular meeting of the Council of the Public Corporation Law Section of the State Bar of Michigan was held on Saturday, December 2, 2006 by telephonic communication somewhere, many wheres, in the State of Michigan. The meeting started at approximately 10:02 AM.

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Not participating were: D. Matson (allegedly attending a planning commission meeting), C. Rosati (To ill to talk), P. Erickson (Son playing basketball).

Schloff moved, and McKone supported, a motion to excuse absent members. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Agenda:

There was a motion by Beras, supported by McKone, to approve the agenda for the December 2, 2006 Council meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes of the November 4 Council Meeting:

Motion by Tamm, supported by Beras, to approve the minutes of the November 4, 2006 Council meeting as distributed. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report (September 30 Financials) (Beach):

Beach and Bluhm reported on the financials ending September 30, 2006, showing a deficit without the inclusion of new membership dues.

There was a motion by Sluggett, supported by McKone. Motion passed unanimously.

Amicus Brief Report (Schmidt)

Don Schmidt raised the Goldstone v. Bloomfield Township case. This was the case which took the position that everyone in the state had the constitutional right to use any library, wherever located. The Supreme Court had not asked for Public Law participation. The MML and the Library Association had the ground covered according to Don, who recommended that Public Law not participate. Membership concurred by it quiet consensus.

Discussion then turned to joining in Cymbor v. Saginaw, the case which took the position that the DNR rules and regulations preempted local ordinance prohibiting discharge of firearms as long as one was legally licensed to shoot critters not people. Chuck McKone moved to join the MMLDF in writing the brief for an amount of \$3,000.00. M. Fales seconded. Schmidt and Beach abstained because Mike McGee from their firm was authoring the brief. Note: Upon notifying the MML on Monday following the meeting it was learned that the brief had already been filed the Friday before the Public Corp. meeting.

Council Bylaw Committee Report (Schmidt, Fales & Matson)

Don reported that the Committee had submitted its comments, which are attached; that the changes included adding the word "immediate" before the reference to past presidents, making only the immediate past president a member of the Council; that electronic means be added to the section governing quorums; plus a number of other language clean up issues. Williams moved and S. Morgan seconded approving the changes. Don was to prepare the final draft for the President to review at its next meeting.

Report on Land Tribunal Act (Tamm)

J. Tamm reported that because of the change in leadership of the state legislature, there may be a change of direction with this proposed legislation. They may be looking at Masters program rather than a Tribunal. Andy Schnor from the MML had asked which way the Council wanted to go. The consensus was to stay the course with the Tribunal.

PCLS Quarterly

Lori opened the discussion that it might be the time for her to appoint a new editor to the Public Law Quarterly and suggested Tom Shultz and Steve Josick take over the publication. She would report back after speaking to everyone concerned.

Lori reminded that the December 1st deadline was still close enough to bend. Articles could still be submitted for the next quarterly publication.

Discussion of Winter Seminar (Erickson and Tamm)

J. Tamm indicated that all "in-house" governmental employees would receive a discounted admission fee of \$100 for the seminar. "Out-house" council had to pay \$125.

He also asked to consolidate the liquor license topics. Lori and G. Fisher agreed. All speakers and topics have been confirmed. The program is ready to go as attached with the above change.

J. Slugget wanted the mailing to include reference to the availability of rooms at the Dearborn Inn.

Tamm reported on what was included in a "Taste of Italy Buffet." Some members suggested the lunch might be worth the price of admission.

D. Walling wanted to know about the real meeting, the one after the seminar. Were we going to convene it in a designated room with more delicious food, or would a cheese tray in the bar suffice. Consensus was to head right to the bar.

Discussion of Summer Seminar (Beras)

J. Beras indicated that he had talked to Peter Letzmann. Peter's portion was pretty well set with a Supreme Court update, a bankruptcy session and a Cracker Barrel session. He suggested the Public Corp portion include (1) the Do's and Don'ts of Public Contracts, how Proposition #2 effects public contracting, etc. (2) Redevelopment issues, including the DDA, EDC, etc. the alphabet agencies programs, maybe even tax credits, and then (3) update on FOIA/OPA. The membership banged their coffee cups on their desks in concurrence.

List Serve Rules(Howe)

Marcia said they were not ready.

State Bar Activities (Bluhm)

Lori mentioned a few suggestions before the operator entered and said our time was up.

Court of Appeals Request for Suggestion for Approval (Bluhm)

Lori deferred the discussion.

Cracker Barrel Session (Everyone)

Lori reported that Hooters in Troy still did not have its liquor license. The City had filed a motion to dismiss.

Kay stated that Hustler had requested a reconsideration of the Detroit City Council's rejection of its license request.

Beras reported that Southfield had agreed to permit a nativity scene on its front lawn along with a menorah and a lot of non-secular Christmas symbols. The nativity scene and the menorah were both privately owned and Jack said he placed a big disclaimer sign out front stating that he did not have anything to do with any of it, or the City.

G. Fisher guardedly said the Jackson RLUPA Supreme court argument went well. Justice Young asked all the right question about how far a church's mission could go, from 9 stories to operating a high rise, a gas station? Taylor also talked about the constitutionality of the statute.

Marcia talked a bit about Wolf v. Ferndale and its denial of leave to appeal.

Adjournment

Bluhm adjourned the meeting without motion and without objection of the membership at approximately 11:07 AM. The next meeting will be held on January 6, 2007.

Respectfully submitted,

William Beach
Secretary-Treasurer

COUNCIL OF THE PUBLIC CORPORATION LAW SECTION OF THE STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN

Minutes of the October 7, 2006 Meeting

A regular meeting of the Council of the Public Corporation Law Section of the State Bar of Michigan was held on Saturday, October 7, 2006 at the State Bar of Michigan, Lansing. The meeting started at approximately 10:10 AM.

Members participating included:

Bluhm, Erickson, Fisher, Rosati, Schloff, Sluggett, So, Tamm (by phone), Walling. (Williams had also earlier been in attendance.)

Not participating were: Beach, Beras, Branson, Fales, Howe, Matson, McKone, Morgan, Robinson, and Schmidt.

Sluggett moved, and Fischer supported, a motion to excuse absent members. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Agenda:

There was a motion by Tamm, supported by Rosati, to approve the amended agenda for the October 7, 2006 Council meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes of the September 9 Council Meeting:

Motion by Rosati, supported by Schloff, to approve the minutes of the September 9, 2006 Council meeting as distributed. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report (August 31 Financials):

Bluhm reported on the financials ending August 31, 2006.

There was a motion by Walling, supported by Rosati, to approve the financial report. Motion passed unanimously.

Amicus Brief Report

Sluggett reported briefly on the amicus briefs which the Council had previously agreed to support financially. A total commitment of \$6,500 has been made to date.

Council Bylaw Committee Report

Bluhm said she had spoken with the Committee and that the Bylaws were in the process of being reformatted to enhance the Committee's ability to make revisions. A report on the progress of the Committee will be provided at the next meeting.

Commission to Review Tax Procedures

So reported that he had spoken with Tribunal officials who advised that the review process was going to be taken "in house." So said that the PCLS will be given an opportunity for input.

Report on Land Tribunal Act

Fisher reminded the Council on the background of the Act. He said that a PCLS committee had testified to the deficiencies in the Act in its present form with the Act's drafters and also discussed options to amend the Act. Rosati pointed out the difficulties with finding qualified candidates to act as judges/masters under the Act. There was further discussion on the role of the masters and Tamm concurred in Rosati's assessment. Another meeting has been scheduled for the end of October and Fisher indicated a willingness to attend and report.

Electronic Distribution of PCLS Quarterly

Bluhm said that an article in the next newsletter and a postcard mailing would give members an opportunity to "opt out" of receiving a paper copy of the Quarterly. Further discussion reiterated the need to generate articles for the Quarterly.

Discussion of Winter Seminar

Bluhm reported that the probable date of the winter seminar was February 16th and that locations, topics and chairperson(s) were still needed. There was general interest expressed in using the Dearborn Inn and Walling volunteered to make an inquiry. Tamm and Erickson agreed to co-chair the seminar. General topics identified for the seminar included Liquor Licensing; the Right to Farm Act; Traditional versus Form-based Zoning along with general zoning and planning issues; Headlee Override/Truth in Taxation/Ballot Language issues; and (of course) Telecommunications. It was noted that ICLE would not be conducting a local government seminar this winter but would do so again in 2008.

Discussion of Summer Seminar Locations

Bluhm initiated a discussion involving the summer seminar location for 2008. A number of locations were mentioned with several people speaking positively about Boyne or the Grant Traverse Resort. The Council's discussion will be shared with MAMA.

Adjournment

Bluhm adjourned the meeting at approximately 11:25 AM. The next meeting will be held on November 4 at the offices of Dickinson Wright.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeff Sluggett, Vice Chairperson

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**COUNCIL OF THE PUBLIC CORPORATION LAW
SECTION OF THE STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN**

Minutes of the ~~September~~ September 9, 2006 Meeting

A regular meeting of the Council of the Public Corporation Law Section of the State Bar of Michigan was held on Saturday, September 9, 2006 at the offices of Miller Canfield, One Michigan Avenue, Suite 900, Lansing, Michigan. The meeting started at 10:00 A.M.

1. Members Participating Included:

Beach, Bluhm, Erickson, Fales, Howe, Matson, Rosati, Schmidt, So.

Not participating were: Beras, Branson, Fisher, Morgan, Sluggett, Tamm, Walling, Watza, Williams

Matson moved and Schloff seconded to excuse who were absent. Passed unanimously

2. Approval of Agenda

Motion by Fales, support by Rosati, to approve the agenda for the September 9, 2006 meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Approval of Minutes of the June 23, 2006 Meeting

Don Schmidt suggested that the minutes be amended to show he attended the June 23rd meeting. The minutes were so amended; moved to be approved by Rosati; seconded by Fales; and the motion passed unanimously.

4. Treasurer Report

(Secretary takes license to place this report in its proper place even though Madame Chair jumped ahead to talk about the summer seminar.)

Rosati moved and Howe seconded approval of financial report ending July 31, 2006 showing and ending final balance of \$10,493.66. Secretary notes that the balance on the two sheets submitted by the State Bar is not the same. Approved unanimously.

Rosati then asked how much the Section still had outstanding for amicus briefs. It was estimated that the Tax Tribunal case was \$1,000, the Grand Rapids Property Maintenance Code case was \$3,000; and the Jackson case \$2,500. Treasurer to report back.

5. Revised Meeting Schedule

Noted by President.

6. Re-Cap of Summer Seminar

Beach reported that MAMA has sent a check for \$642.15 for the Public Corp. Law Section's share of the profits from the seminar.

Question was asked whether the seminar should return to Mackinac Island in 2008. After much discussion it was decided to have Lori talk to Erica at the MML.

Phil tried to make a motion to set up a committee on this but was ignored by the ladies.

7. Report on the Commission to Review Tax Procedures – M.T.T.

Kester So agreed to find out where the report was, what it was and report back to the PCLS.

8. Report on Land Tribunal Act

Rosati said there may be a hearing in Lansing on Thursday, September 28th. She said she liked the theory of having an expert review of zoning cases, but not the method that was proposed in the bill. Phil will talk to Andy Shor about this and report back.

9. MSU Amicus Brief

Discussion was to not support MSU FOIA appeal.

10. Electronic Dissemination of PCLS Quarterly

Rosati said the money spent on printing quarterly was not worth it. Don agreed. Bluhm stated that there were 612 members on the PCLS List Serve. 88 members were not on it. Bluhm to report back on sending the quarterly out on line with hard copy mailing to those not on List Serve.

Schmidt asked about publishing an index to the Quarterly. Someone else said it would be nice. No one suggested talking to Dan about it.

11. Report on State Bar Activities

Bluhm went through the proposed change of rules.

12. Council By-Laws

Matson, Fales and Schmidt to review the By-Laws and report back to the PCLS.

13. Winter Seminar

Rosati revealed that ICLE will not be repeating "Hot Topics" this year. They will do it every other year. February 16 was picked as the date. Topics discussed were: wetlands, traditional vs. form zoning; liquor licenses for Hooters. Board Members were to think of other topics and return in October to discuss them further.

14. Cracker Barrel Discussion

Bluhm discussed Eastern Michigan FOIA cell tower case, the Ferndale "economic damage" holding; and the knock and enter the back door case from Troy(?)

15. Adjournment

Motion made and unanimously approved to adjourn at 12:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

William B. Beach