

New Hampshire Tax Collectors' Association
Executive Board Meeting
Plodzick & Sanderson
December 10, 2015
9:30 am

Executive Committee Members Present: President Kellie Skehan, CTC, 1st Vice President Melinda "Min" Kennett, CTC, Secretary Charity Blanchette, CTC, Treasurer Joyce McGee, CTC, Conference Coordinator Terri Briand, CTC, Education Committee Chair Dawn Enwright, CTC, Education Committee Member Diane Trippett

Absent: 2nd Vice President Charles Gangel, CTC, Director of Public Relations Kathy Seaver, CTC, Workshop Coordinator Esaundra "Pessy" Gaudette, CDTC, Legislative Chair David Fredette, CTC, Director at Large Raymah Simpson, CTC

Guest: Cate DeVasto, NHDRA

Cate wished everyone a Happy Holiday. She reported that all the tax rates are done. There is only one rate that hasn't been approved by the town but will at the end of the day tomorrow. Their office is redoing their work flow to make it faster for next year. She apologized for missing conference, their office was extremely busy setting tax rates and she didn't want to hold up the rate process.

She also mentioned the Municipal Accounts Auditor employment opportunity that went out to the google group.

Correspondence – Kellie received a thank you card from Diane for the gift she received from the Executive Committee/Association for her time served as Education Committee Chair.

Secretary Report – Charity distributed the minutes for the November 12th meeting.

Joyce made motion to accept minutes of November 12, 2015 meeting. Seconded by Terri. All in favor. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report – Joyce distributed the Treasurer's Report and mentioned there were minimal expenses and no income this past month. She did purchase the gift basket for Plodzick & Sanderson.

Dawn made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. Seconded by Terri. All in favor. Motion carried.

Workshop Coordinator Report – No Report

Public Relations Report – No Report

Legislative Committee Report – Dave was unable to attend. Diane mentioned she went to a Town Clerk legislative session and there was a bill mentioned about tax deeded properties and changing the time for the taxpayer to pay the repurchase amount from 15 days to 30 days and also doing away with HB1219. Diane is going to get the information to Dave.

Conference Coordinator Report – Terri spoke with April and discussed having a scavenger hunt. She is also going to look into different scavenger hunt ideas and offering another team building idea for those that are not able to participate in the hunt. She mentioned to April that we may want to start earlier on Wednesday and April said that would be fine. Entertainment for Wednesday has been booked.

Education Committee Report – Diane is going to send results via email. She reported the results of the Conference survey were very positive. She received a few that mentioned lienning & deeding should be discussed every year.

There were mixed reviews about the “Recess from taxation” session. Some thought it was a waste of time and others felt we should have things like that more often.

The biggest complaints were the microphone and the vendor area not having enough space. Terri said she spoke with April again about the microphone. The committee discussed in detail the options for changing the vending area around to make it easier for the members to visit with them and for foot traffic to flow.

There were many surveys that mentioned they would like to see a session on Bernie’s suggestion regarding handling things in Probate Court and maybe something on the Registry of Deeds.

County Coordinator Report – Min emailed the Coordinators about participating in obtaining the raffle donations for next year’s conference. Kellie mentioned she contacted those interested in the empty coordinator positions. They all accepted.

Director at Large Report – No Report

Old Business – Joyce mentioned creating a booklet containing the job descriptions, bylaws, and policy handbook for the Executive Committee. Charity will work on putting them together.

Joyce asked if Kellie was looking to update the policy handbook over the next year and Kellie said that was on her list.

New Business – Joyce mentioned she received a check from Ocwen Mortgage in the amount of \$12,000 to clean up a taxpayer’s account and they called her and told her they sent it in error and were going to stop payment on the check and they did. She had already deposited it in the bank and released the liens. She is wondering if any other committee members had dealt with this situation and what their process is. She spoke with the Registry about recording something saying the liens are being reinstated. They suggested she should talk with her Town Counsel. Diane mentioned it has happened to her and she worked with her Town Counsel to get her liens reinstated. Joyce would like to see this topic discussed at Spring Workshop or Conference.

Joyce made motion to adjourn. Seconded by Dawn. All in favor. Motion carried

Meeting adjourned 10:58 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Charity M. Blanchette
Secretary