



Iowa County Recorders Association

ICRA meeting called to order by President Sheri Jones on 3/11/2022 @ 11:07 a.m.

The October 13, 2021 minutes were presented. Moved by Travis Case, seconded by Sue Meyer to approve minutes. MCU

The Executive Board Minutes from December 15, 2021, were presented. Moved by Joan McCalmant, seconded by Geralyn Greer to approve. MCU

The Treasurer's Report was approved by a motion from Arlene Schauf, 2nd from Jolynn Goodchild. MCU

Stacie Herridge, legislative rep, gave a brief update on legislation. She will email a spreadsheet of current 2022 legislation to the entire association.

Old Business:

President Jones asked if anyone had any comments regarding the Back the Blue Bill that passed last legislative session. No comments received. ARPA dollars was also discussed briefly, and President Jones recommended recorders get more than one bid/quote for projects from vendors and to be sure to check your county policy on purchasing and procurement.

New Business:

Summer school 2022 in Decorah June 15-17 will be hosted by District 2. District President Tracy Marshall gave additional details, reminding recorders to register for summer school and the last day to book a hotel room @ the special \$99 rate is May 3, 2022. Diane Amundson gave details on the ebikes available to ride the Decorah trails during Summer School.

Summer school 2023 will be hosted by District 5, according to Ann Skaggs. That district is working on details.

Karen from Kossuth County had information regarding a "First Amendment Audit" from a gentleman that visited their county. That individual has a You tube channel entitled "Flex Your Freedom".

Lexa from Benton County said they received a phone call asking for a Freedom Act Rights Form.

Joan from Linn County commented on the uptick of sovereign citizens in their county. Arlene from Jackson County echoed Joan's information, as their county has had a person tracing their property back to the patent and asking questions the past 3 weeks. Kelly Spees from Jefferson County asked about a pending lien against a school board member in Linn County. These recorders encouraged everyone to review Iowa Code Section 575 regarding a non-statutory lien.

Committee Report:

Unofficial Hospitality update given by Travis Case. He thanks everyone that attended the Recorder hospitality event. The committee will try and plan one next Spring 2023.

PRIA - No report

Vitals - no report as they have not met for 4 years

DNR - no report as they have not met for a long time.



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Questions/comments from recorder group:

Lorie Thompson from Harrison County commented about the hassle adding a title to a pwc.
Lindsay from Webster County suggested a work around and will email information.

Megan Clyman made a great suggestion regarding the mentoring program that was done years ago for new Recorders. Possibly establish a new committee to bring back the reinvented mentoring program that will make the new recorders feel at ease and welcome.

President Jones thanked the association for all the help and has done such a good job of encouraging everyone. She mentioned an issue she had with Brandt and printing boat renewals. Brand switched print trays and this seemed to take care of the problem. She encouraged all to contact Lori at the DNR and others there when Brandt is not following through so the DNR is aware of the customer service problems.

A few recorders talked about the weird boat registration fee amounts and wondered about changing those fees. Lisa Kent expounded on this topic and also the writing fee discrepancies between boats and ohvs. She found a very receptive legislator in her district and will work with them and her county attorney to draft legislation to get pushed forward. She thinks it would help to educate all stakeholders regarding the correct fees that are charged and making these fees uniform would alleviate some of the confusion that happens due to turnover in the banks.

Sue Meyer moved to adjourn at 11:45 and Mary Ward seconded. MCU