

### **General Membership Meeting Minutes**

# Friday August 20, 2010 10:00 a.m. Post 2 American Legion, Augusta

- **1.** <u>Call to Order</u>: President J. Gulnac called the meeting to order at approximately 10:00 a.m. See Attachment A for attendance list.
- **2.** Review of the April 30, 2010 and June 11, 2010 Meeting Minutes: Moved by T. Levesque and seconded by S. Paradis to approve the meeting minutes of April 30, 2010. Motion passed. Moved by M. Baran and seconded by T. Levesque to table the June 11, 2010 meeting minutes. Motion passed.
- 3. Treasurer's Report: J. Gulnac presented the following:

	Month	Year-To-Date
Revenues:		
Interest Income	\$3.00	\$19.00
Member Dues	\$0.00	\$2,900.00
Other-Training	\$0.00	\$10,000.00
Total Revenues:	\$3.00	\$12,919.00
<b>Expenditures:</b>		
Postage	\$0.00	\$26.00
Photocopies	\$0.00	12.00
Supplies	\$0.00	\$4.00
Bank Services	\$0.00	\$0.00
General Miscellaneous	\$50.00	\$50.00
Seminars	\$0.00	\$6,062.00
Contract Services-MMA	\$145.00	\$1,013.00
COSCDA Convention	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Expenditures:	\$195.00	\$7,167.00
Net Income(Loss)	(\$192.00)	\$5,752.00

Fund Balance: \$12,175.00

Moved by T. Levesque and seconded by S. Paradis to approve the Treasurer's Report as

presented. Motion passed.

#### 4. Association comment on the DECD Program Statement:

J. Gulnac presented MCDA's comments regarding the proposed 2011 CDBG Program Statement during the public hearing held earlier in the day. They were as follows:

- Section 2(A) (1) (d): MCDA supports the increase of the maximum housing assistance grant amount to \$300,000 but does not support discriminating against communities with populations below or above 1,000.
- Section 2 (B) (1) (c): MCDA supports the elimination of the 10% match funds requirement.
- MCDA supports the changes recommended in the Pine Tree Zones.
- MCDA recommends reducing the community evaluation factor for housing to 10 points rather than 20 points and reallocating the remaining points to other places.

MCDA will submit the complete minutes of the April 10, 2010 meeting held at the Lucerne Inn.

#### 5. Report on MMA Convention Plans:

R. Lynch presented a proposed agenda of events for the MMA Convention to be held at the Augusta Civic Center on Tuesday, October 12 and Wednesday, October 13, 2010. MCDA will hold sessions on community development funding strategies and has invited representatives from various sectors on how to support their own community development programs. For example, Ron Harriman of Harriman Associates will present information on the private sector; Darryl Sterling, Community Development Director in Richmond, will talk about the public sector; and Gail Chase of Kennebec Valley Council of Governments will talk about the technical assistance from regional associations. These sessions will run on Wednesday, October 13, 2010 from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. This will be followed by the gubernatorial candidates' panel and the annual meeting and luncheon of MCDA at 12:00 noon.

#### **6. Membership:** No discussion

- 7. <u>Updates:</u> Updates on the 2011 CDBG Program as well as other programs administered by DECD were presented by Mike Baran.
  - Community for Maine's Future Program This \$1.5 million program will focus on downtown projects and will run a lot like the Riverfront Bond Program. OCD anticipates having program statement and applications ready by fall, 2010.
  - Environmental Review Handbook OCD has hired the services of Margo Fraser, former OCD employee, to update this manual.
  - OCD received a \$1,000,000 award for a Brownfield Program.
  - HUD is taking all compliance requirements and stepping up on enforcement on such regulations as Section 3 requirements, environmental, etc.

Moved by T. Levesque to adjourn; meeting adjourned at 10:19 a.m.

Submitted by,

Joella R. Theriault

## ATTACHMENT A

Al Smith	City of Bath
Mike Bush	Penquis CAP
Noel Musson	CES, Inc.
Tony Levesque	Town of Fort Fairfield
James Gulnac	Town of Sanford
Tom Martin	Hancock County Planning Commission
Wade Hanson	Town of Houlton
Daniel LaPointe	Town of Van Buren
Rodney Lynch	City of Rockland
Joella R. Theriault	NMDC
Duane Walton	NMDC
Mary Walton	At Large
Ken Arndt	City of Presque Isle
Ron Harriman	Ron Harriman Associates
Suzie Paradis	Town of Madawaska
John Bannen	Town of Fort Kent
Mike Baran	DECD-OCD