

Minutes
Montana Sheriffs and Peace Officer Association
Board Meeting Ekalaka, Montana
March 23, 2006

Directors Present

Tom Skinner-----President	Bill Barron-----1 st Vice
Jim Cashell-----Past President	Dennis McCave-----2 nd Vice
Tony Harbaugh-----Sec/Treas	Daryl Anderson-----3 rd Vice

Sheriffs

Rusty Jardee
Cheryl Liedle
Dave Schenk

Undersheriffs & Deputies

Blue Corneliusen
Greg Hintz
Brian Gootkin
Leo Dutton

The meeting was called to order by President Skinner and roll was called.

** Motion by Greg Hintz to waive the reading and approved the minutes of the previous meeting.

2nd by Rusty Jardee

Motion Passed

Guests:

Sheriff John Blaine of Powder River County and Bill Fleiner representing DOC were in attendance.

Treasurer's report was given by Tony Harbaugh.

Report of the President:

Tom Skinner advised that the conference dates are June 13-16 at the Billings Hotel and Convention Center in Billings, MT. He stated that a RMIN grant is being sought to help cover training costs. It was noted that Operation Lifesaver is seeking a location for their picnic. Zoo Montana was suggested.

Communications and Liaisons:

SERC –NR

MBCC – Jim Cashell advised that the board met March 9. The RFP for task force grants has been sent out to include a 36% cut over last years grant allowance. Jim noted that the board has decided that fitness standards cannot be set by the Board of Crime Control. They must be set by MLEA.

POST – Dennis McCave advised that the new POST council has been seated and will meet May 17 and 18 in Helena. This will be a workshop to train new members.

WSSA – Jim Cashell advised that he and Tony Harbaugh attended WSSA conference in Nevada in February. The issue of the splitting of the 9th Circuit was discussed.

**Motion by Greg Hintz that MSPOA send a letter supporting splitting the 9th Circuit Court to WSSA and use the Oregon Sheriffs resolution as a template.

*2nd by Daryl Anderson

Motion Passed

Jim Cashell also advised that BLM and Forest Service have a new MOU drafted for search and rescue missions on federal lands.

Jim and Tony are both on WSSA by laws committee and will try to keep deputies and Undersheriffs as members of WSSA.

They were both re-elected Montana Representatives to the WSSA at the annual conference.

Special Olympics – Bill Barron advised that he will ask the committee to invoice MSPOA for our annual contribution.

Coroners – Rusty Jardee reports that the annual Coroners Conference will be held in Forsyth May 14-17 at the Country Club.

MLEA Advisory – NR

NSA – NR

Search and Rescue – NR

MACo – Greg Hintz attended the mid winter conference in Great Falls. Much of the training dealt with the MT Meth Project.

Operation Lifesaver – Daryl Anderson attended the meeting in Missoula March 2 and 3. There was discussion of MSPOA possibly partnering with Operation Lifesaver to produce and distribute a public service announcement.

** Motion by Daryl Anderson to contribute \$500.00 to Operation Lifesaver.

*2nd by Greg Hintz

Motion Passed

MACo Risk Management – Greg Hintz advised that there will be a meeting April 3-5 at MLEA to work on policy review.

CJIS – NR

NLECTC – NR

Private Security – Cheryl Liedle advised that the board is taking over the certification of private process servers. They will now have to test for Statewide certification and will no longer be under jurisdiction of the Clerk of Court.

The board will have authority to initiate disciplinary actions for using unlicensed investigators in Montana.

By Laws – NR

Funding and Fiscal – NR

Directors Report – NR

Next meeting schedule for Bozeman, Montana, May 3 and 4, 2006.

Meeting adjourned.