The membership of the Alberta Land Surveyors’ Association met on April 20, 21 and 22 in Jasper, Alberta for its 97th Annual General Meeting. What follows is a summary of the results of the recommendations and new business motions.

Recommendation #1: Bylaws
It was MOVED by Mr. Hudema, seconded by Mr. Frederick, that the bylaws of the Alberta Land Surveyors’ Association be amended.

Amendment #1 to Recommendation #1
AMENDMENT MOVED by Mr. Frederick, seconded by Mr. Marquardt that the word “land” be added in front of survey in clause 51(1)(c).

Amendment Carried

Amendment #2 to Recommendation #1
AMENDMENT MOVED by Mr. Halliday, seconded by Mr. Stephens that section 51(1)(m) be struck in its entirety.

Amendment Carried

Amendment #3 to Recommendation #1
AMENDMENT MOVED by Mr. Allred, seconded by Wayne Wesolosky, to delete amendments to Section 56 in its entirety.

Amendment Carried

Amendment #4 to Recommendation #1
AMENDMENT MOVED by Mr. Rachynski, seconded by Mr. Kocher that section 52(1) be changed to read “double the registration fee” in place of $200.

Amendment Defeated

Amendment #5 to Recommendation #1
AMENDMENT MOVED by Mr. Allred, seconded by Mr. Baker that recommendation #1 be amended to delete amendments to section 51(1)(c).

Amendment Carried

Amendment #6 to Recommendation #1
AMENDMENT MOVED by Mr. Allred, seconded by Mr. Hagen, to delete the amendment to section 53(c).

Amendment Carried

MAIN MOTION AS AMENDED Carried

13(4) Council Meetings - Use of mail
Unless otherwise agreed by every member of Council, written notice of each Council meeting shall be sent mailed by the Executive Director to each Council member at least seven 49 days before the date of the meeting.

Amendment Carried

30(7) Conduct of Election
At the annual general meeting, the President Registrar shall appoint at least three (3) Alberta Land Surveyors to act as scrutineers.

51(1) Honorary Life Member
(a) Council, in its discretion, may confer honorary life membership in the Association upon any Alberta Land Surveyor or retired member who has rendered signal service to the Association and the betterment of mankind.

(b) An honorary life member is not required to pay an annual fee or any levy payable to the Association.

52(1) Fees
(a) on application for registration as an Alberta Land Surveyor, surveyor’s corporation or surveyor’s partnership; $20.00 $50.00
(b) for registration with the Association as an Alberta Land Surveyor, surveyor’s corporation or surveyor’s partnership; $300.00 $200.00

c) for an Alberta Land Surveyor, a sum not exceeding annually ---- $700.00

d) for retired membership, a sum not exceeding annually ---- $100.00

e) for associate membership, a sum not exceeding annually -$200.00

f) for affiliate membership, a sum not exceeding annually -$100.00

g) for a surveyor’s corporation or surveyor’s partnership, a sum not exceeding annually ----- $500.00

h) for the filing of articles of service ----------------------------- $50.00

(i) for the filing of each transfer of articles of service --------------------- 20.00 $50.00

(j) for late payment of any fees, dues or levies ------ $50.00 $200.00

(k) for reinstatement, in addition to other fees, dues and levies payable ------ $100.00 $500.00

(l) for pupils, a sum not exceeding annually ----------------------- $100.00 $500.00


56 Annual Register
(1) The Annual Register shall contain the names, current addresses, and date of registration for all members, surveyor’s corporations and surveyor’s partnerships registered as of April 30

(2) The Registrar shall prepare a supplement to the Annual Register to include all members, surveyor’s corporations or surveyor’s partnerships registered after April 30 in any year and send a copy to the Registrar of each Land Titles Office and the Director of Surveys.

(3) Additions or deletions to the Annual Register shall be published in the Association newsletter.

(4) On or before June 1, in each year, the Registrar shall send a copy of the Annual Register to each member, to the Director of Surveys and to the Registrar of each Land Titles Office.

(5) When a member dies, is suspended or has their registration cancelled, the Registrar shall strike that member’s name from the Annual Register and shall forthwith notify the Director of Surveys and the Registrar of each Land Titles Office.

61(5) Duplicate Permit Stamp
A surveyor’s corporation or surveyor’s partnership may apply to the Registrar for one or more duplicate stamps to be issued to it.

65(7) Mandatory Insurance
A practitioner shall notify the Registrar of particulars of all claims made against his professional liability insurance.

66 Notice
(1) When a notice or any other thing is permitted or required to be given to

(a) an Alberta Land Surveyor, a surveyor’s corporation or surveyor’s partnership or other member of the Association, the notice may be given

(i) by delivering or mailing the notice to that person’s mailing address shown on the appropriate register or record of the Association, whether by mail, courier, fax or electronic means, or

(ii) by personal service;

Note to Recommendation #1:
The amendments to the bylaws as approved by the membership do not come into effect until Council “makes” the bylaws in accordance with Section 17(1) of the Land Surveyors Act.

Recommendation #2:
Wellsite and Public Land Dispositions
It was MOVED by Mr. Swabey, seconded by Mr. Landry, that Part D, Section 5.1.2 of the Manual of Standard Practice be revised to read:

An Alberta Land Surveyor performing a survey for the location of wellsites and related facilities in unsurveyed territory shall locate and confirm sufficient monuments to allow the determination of the position of the wellsites and related facilities in relation to the theoretic section boundaries.
Monuments in this section refer to:
• monuments placed in accordance with Part 2 and Part 3 of the Surveys Act or
• monuments shown on Wellsite Traverse Plans on file with the Director of Surveys Office or
• Alberta Survey Control Markers directly connected to Part 2 or Part 3 monuments that define the theoretic section boundaries.
Theoretic section boundaries shall be determined using the Supplement to the Manual of Instructions for the Survey of Canada Lands.

Recommendation #3:
Public Land Dispositions Except License of Occupation
It was MOVED by Mr. Swabey, seconded by Mr. Jamieson, that Part D, Section 5.8.7 of the Manual of Standard Practice be revised to read:
Make sufficient field measurements to ensure there are no errors of layout or measurement and show same on plan.

New Business
Recommendation #1: UNB Research
It was MOVED by Mr. Stephens, seconded by Mr. McArthur, that Council consider funding research at the University of New Brunswick equal to any amounts being provided to the University of Calgary.

Honours & Recognition
Honorary Life Membership
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The 2007 annual general meeting of the Alberta Land Surveyors’ Association will be held April 26-28, 2007 in Lake Louise, Alberta.