

MWOA Southeast Section Meeting

October 12, 2004

Lake City Public Works Building

1885 South Highway 61

Lake City, Minnesota

Rick Rogich, LeSueur – Chairman called the business meeting to order at 11:20am

First order of business was the review and approval of the financial report and reading and approval of the past section meeting minutes. The finance report stated a balance of \$978.00. The minutes were approved.

Old Business:

2004 Section awards were presented to: Mary Anway, Redwing – Lab

Rick Phelps, Rochester – Maintenance

Dan Hemmak, Redwing – 25 years of Service

New Business:

The joint meeting of the Southeast/Southwest MWOA sections will be held in New Ulm on Wednesday, May 4th.

The fall Collections seminar will be held in Albert Lea on October 26th at the municipal plant.

Chairman Rogich announced the opening of nominations for the 2005 operator of the year awards. The categories were read and the floor was opened to nominations.

Nominations for: Class A – Linda Huston, Darling International Darrel Lastimosa, Mankato

Class B – Jamison Holland, Darling International

Class C – (none)

Class D – (none)

Maintenance- (none)

Rookie – (none)

Lab – (none)

Collections – Tim Dick, Lake City

Special Recognition – (none)

Loyal Service - (none)

No more nominations were given. Chairman Rogich announced that the nominations would be open until the next meeting when voting will take place. He also asked for everyone to think about members that may not be present that are deserving of nomination for the next meeting.

David Lane, Rochester announced the Central States meeting in Rochester next year at the Mayo Civic Center, May 22nd-26th. There will be an award program including categories for: Facility Safety, Uses of Innovative Technology and New Facilities. Contact Jim Roth, President for nominations and information on attendance.

Harold McAloney, Lake City asked for discussion on an updated roster of SE Section membership. Harold felt this is necessary to facilitate growth in our section and networking among operators, especially new operators in our section. He also expressed the need for a template to be established to help host a meeting. Open discussion followed with members expressing their views on data privacy in regard to membership lists and how to make contact with potential new members or lost members. State Director Dean Nelson volunteered to work at the state level to make an updated list available and Harold McAloney agreed to try to collect information in his local area.

Director Darold Nienhaus, Winnebago announced the MWOA annual meeting will be held in Marshall at the Best Western on July 26th.

The MWOA has purchased four power points that can be checked out for meeting use.

Todd Arlander, Bonestroo and Assoc., announced the Conference on the Environment – dealing with metro growth issues being held on November 18th. See the Central States web site to attend.

Chairman Rogich asked for volunteers to host the next meeting. Wes Bell, Morristown volunteered to host the meeting on February 9th.

Harold McAloney made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Director Nienhaus. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 12:00pm.

Respectfully submitted by:

Jamison Holland, Secretary/Treasurer