

**International Right of Way Association
“Spirit of the Heartland” – Iowa Chapter 41
Baratta’s Restaurant
2320 South Union, Des Moines, IA 50315
Minutes of Business Meeting – June 25, 2011**

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

Secretary’s Report. The minutes of the April 1, 2011, business meeting were approved as posted on the Chapter 41 website. A motion was made to approve the minutes as published. The motion was seconded and approved by all members present.

Treasurer’s Report. The Treasurer’s Report was provided and shows a current balance of \$9,753.28. A copy of the report is also available for review in the latest edition of the “Chapter 41 Update.” A motion was made to approve the Treasurer’s Report as presented; the motion was seconded and approved by all.

Committee Reports

Membership Report. Our current membership is 71 members.

Education Committee Report. There is an online course discount. Don’t forget to take advantage of the savings.

Program Committee Report. Liz VanZomeren will continue to serve as Chair for Chapter 41. Please contact Liz if you have any ideas you wish to share regarding a future meeting.

Professional Development Committee reports no changes.

Old Business

Mini Best Practices Session. Tim will have additional information at the next meeting. Tim will be working with Rita Rasmussen to obtain additional information for the meeting.

50th Anniversary 2013. Chapter 41 will be celebrating its 50th Anniversary in 2013 and would like to celebrate the event at the Spring Forum that year. It would be wonderful if Nebraska Chapter would like to be a part of the celebration.

Tim Bunkers would like anyone interested in helping with the 50th Anniversary celebration to contact him with any historical information or ideas that might make the event extra special for all! There is time to get information together before the 2013 Spring Forum! Remember, it is a wonderful time to learn more about your chapter and the history associated with it!

New Business

Nominations for Professional of the Year need to be submitted soon.

Atlanta Conference Report

Vicky Kitelinger reported that she enjoyed the experience. Vicky reported that Casino Night was well received by attendees; auction results were very beneficial, too. Three of the prizes went to Chapter 72; a puppet representing their incoming President went for around \$3,500; and the hunting knife went for around \$1,500. Next year will probably consist of only the Casino Night event, and there will probably not be an auction.

Nashville, TN, beat out Omaha and Virginia Beach for the location of the 2016 Conference. They really did a great presentation!

New IEC member elected, who ran from the floor, was Wayne Gross of Shreveport, LA. He ran against Mary Ann Marr.

An increase in dues was passed.

Vicky went to a seminar on "How to Get Your SRWA." Experience could be used for credit.

The 2012 Conference will be held in Seattle, WA.

Local Chapter News

Don Corrigan, President of Chapter 41, stated how much he enjoyed his term as President and all those who helped make the experience a true pleasure. Don also was presented with his Past President Plaque.

Tim Bunkers will be moving to Tulsa, OK, soon. Good luck, Tim! Tim stated he will be a part of Region 3 for two more years.

Chapter Drawings

The lucky winner of the drawing for the \$50.00 door prize was Joe Anderson. Joe is our new President-Elect; he is also Chapter 41 Professional of the Year 2010. Congratulations, Joe!

Winner of a drawing for a free year of membership dues was Amy Walter.

The \$1,000.00 Educational Assistance prize went to Mark Holm.

Employer of the Year was the City of Cedar Rapids, IA. Congratulations!

Our next meeting will be held in the Cedar Rapids area and is planned for September 2011.

A motion to **adjourn** the meeting was made at 6:40 p.m., seconded, and approved by all members present.

Installation of new officers was performed by Randy DeGeorge, Chapter 78 of Omaha, NE.
Thank you, Randy!

New Officers

Tim Bunkers, President
Amy Walter, Secretary
Mark Holm, Treasurer
Director (1-year), Tim Bunkers
Director (2-year), Joe Anderson

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda R. Martens for
Amy J. Walter, Secretary