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May 23 - Tampa Bay Chapter Meeting:

Beef O'Brady's – 2471 McMullen Booth Rd., Clearwater, FL

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MEETING INFORMATION:

General Business Tampa Bay Chapter meeting.

The Chapter Meeting will be held on Thursday, May 23rd, 2013 at Beef O'Brady's, Clearwater (McMullen Booth Rd.).

Happy Hour – 5:30-6:30pm; Meeting/Dinner - 6:30pm; bring \$20 to order off of the menu.

Tampa Bay Chapter: RSVP to the Chapter email: fsms.tampabay.chapter@gmail.com

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

We are trying out a new Pinellas County location for this month's meeting; Beef O' Brady's on McMullen Booth Road in Clearwater. In case the new location doesn't convince you to attend, then our guest speaker David Newcomer will. Mr. Newcomer is Florida's advisor and liaison to the National Geodetic Survey. He will be discussing OPUS and some of the improvements to OPUS.

Plans are in the works for our BIG bowling tournament in mid-June. This event will be the last special event of a very busy year for the Chapter. Finally, keep in mind that we are the host chapter for the FSMS Annual Conference in August so start making your plans to attend.

See you at the new Beef's!

Respectfully,

Jim Godfrey

Tampa Bay Chapter President

MEETING SCHEDULE/LOCATION

5/23/13 – Beef O' Brady's, Clearwater

6/27/13 – Beef O' Brady's, Temple Terrace

7/25/13 – TBD

8/21-25/13 – 58th Annual FSMS Conference, Tradewinds Resort, St. Pete Beach

***Florida Surveying & Mapping Society, Tampa Bay Chapter
Thursday, April 25, 2013 Meeting Minutes***

Location: Beef O' Brady's, 9311 N 56th St, Temple Terrace, FL 33617

Meeting Start: 6:35 PM

Persons in Attendance: 23 members and guests (18 signed in)

The meeting was called to order with Tampa Bay President Jim Godfrey's reading of anti-trust statement.

INTRODUCTIONS: All attendees introduced themselves. Director Dianne Collins introduced Abby Schaefer who has recently joined Collins Survey Consulting as a CEC contract surveyor for the Turnpike. Ms. Schaefer is a member of the Central Florida Chapter.

SECRETARY'S MINUTES

Motion #1 - A **motion** was made by Chris Wild to accept the minutes as published in the Tampa Bay Field Book. As there was no further discussion on the motion, it was **seconded** by Bill Newkirk and passed unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Due to a publishing error by the inept Secretary, the Treasurer's Report was left out of the version of the Tampa Bay Field Book that was distributed to members prior to the meeting via email. Treasurer Justin Ferrans noted that the current balance was \$729.36 and 2013 Chapter dues should come in any day from the state society.

Motion #2 - A **motion** was made by Jerry Huntsman to accept the Treasurer's Report as verbally given by Treasurer Ferrans. As there was no discussion on the motion, it was **seconded** by Director Collins and passed unanimously.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Collins noted the upcoming FSMS Board meeting to be held on May 3 in Lakeland. She also encouraged members to attend the Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services (DoACS) Board of Professional Surveyors & Mappers (BPSM) meeting being held May 14-16 at the Hilton Garden Inn in Sarasota. Members were also urged to send thanks to State Senator Joe Negron (R-Palm City) and State Representative Kathleen Passidomo (R-Naples) for sponsoring CS/SB 286 which allows design professionals of a business entity to limit their liability by contract. The bill was signed into law by Governor Rick Scott on April 24. This new law protects individual Professional Surveyors & Mappers (PSMs) working for a Licensed Surveying & Mapping Business (LB) from being held individually liable for negligence in their designs if several conditions are met during the contracting phase of a project. This protects each and every PSM working under an LB and these legislators should be recognized for their efforts!

[Email Senator Negron here](#)

[Email Representative Passidomo here](#)

[Email Governor Scott here](#)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Conference Sponsorship Committee (Director Collins, Chair – Mr. Wild, Co-Chair) – Seeks sponsorships for the 2013 FSMS Annual Conference being held in St. Pete Beach.
 - There are 213 FSMS Sustaining Firms, the committee is seeking donations from as many as possible.
 - Director Collins thanked President-Elect Leon Hampton for his nominating her as 2013-2014 FSMS Secretary. This may leave our District 4 Director position open for next year.
 - Special thanks was given to Chris Wild for upgrading and taking control of the chapter website www.fsms-tbc.org.
 - The latest 2013 Tampa Bay Chapter membership numbers are as follows: 107 Full Members, 11 Associate Members, 5 Retired Members, and 2 Life Members.

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(APRIL 25 MEETING MINUTES CONTINUED)

INVOCATION: President-Elect Hampton was running a tad bit late, but was able to offer the invocation and give thanks.

- Education Committee – Florida National Geodetic Survey liaison David Newcomer will speak at the May meeting on the recent upgrades to OPUS.
 - FSMS' GPS Users Group to hold its quarterly meeting June 5 at Florida Atlantic University's Boca Raton campus from 11am-2pm. The Users Group has been in contact with retired NGS geodesist Dave Doyle to prepare updated GPS seminars for FSMS. Contact Secretary Chris McLaughlin (chris@macsurvey.com) for more information & to carpool.

There was a pause for dinner from 7:00pm – 7:27pm.

- Scholarship Committee – the annual Tampa Bay Surveying & Mapping Scholarship Fund, Inc. golf tournament on April 20 had 26 foursome teams participate.

OLD BUSINESS

- Member Pete Mattson's father passed away on April 6. An Executive Committee decision was made in early April to donate \$100 to Immanuel Lutheran Church in Brandon per the family's request.
- 2013 Chapter Officer nominations are being accepted for all positions. The current officers' terms end in August.
- The May Tampa Bay Chapter meeting will be held at Beef O' Brady's in Clearwater (2471 McMullen Booth Rd.). Hopefully this location will work for future Pinellas County meetings.

NEW BUSINESS

- Joel McGee mentioned that FSMS needs local volunteers at the FSMS Annual Conference to work the registration desk.
- President-Elect Hampton reported that the Vendors Committee of the FSMS Annual Conference needs volunteers to help make phone calls to prospective vendors to participate in the Trade Show.
- Tom Kaney Fund, Inc. report – New officer positions have been filled. Chapter Vice-President Mark West will be the Fund's new President, Pat McCormack will be the new Secretary, and Chapter Director Collins will remain the Fund's Treasurer. Thanks went to Bill Newkirk for his service. The Fund currently has a +/- \$1700 balance including \$772 recently donated from the Tampa Bay Chapter.
- **Motion #3** - A **motion** was made by Joe Boyle to write a letter of thanks to Senator Joe Negron and Representative Kathleen Passidomo for their sponsorships of the Design Professional Liability Legislation (see above). Discussion was had to email Mr. Boyle the Chapter letterhead and he would draft the letter on behalf of the Chapter. The motion was **seconded** by Mr. Huntsman and passed unanimously.
- The Chapter's Conference Raffle rules were clarified. Each attendee of a Chapter-sponsored event will have one entry per attendance in the raffle. To be qualified to enter the raffle, the attendee must be a Tampa Bay FSMS Chapter member at the time of the 2013 FSMS Conference. All events count, in particular the Christmas Party, Chapter civic events, Vendors Night, meetings. The winner will receive a check in the amount of a FULL Conference Registration and a one-night stay at the Conference resort hotel.
- A Chapter Bowling tournament is planned for June at Crown Lanes on Hillsborough Avenue in Tampa. Sponsorships are now being accepted. FSMS President-Elect Russell Hyatt pledged \$100.01 to kick off sponsorships, likely sponsorship levels will be \$25/50/100 and will be based on the 2012 levels. 2012 sponsors raised \$1,300 for the Chapter.

Motion #6 - A **motion** was made by Joe Shatto to adjourn the meeting. Director Collins **seconded** the motion and it passed unanimously at 7:54pm.

RAFFLES: TOM KANEY FUND 50/50

FSMS President-Elect Hyatt won \$43 and chose to donate it back to the Tom Kaney Fund! That donation meant that \$87 was raised for the Tom Kaney Fund this month (\$1 was donated directly to the Fund to keep the raffle amount even). Since the balance of the Fund was recently deposited into the Fund's bank account, the Chapter's dedicated balance for the Fund now contains \$87.

Respectfully submitted by Tampa Bay Chapter Secretary Chris McLaughlin

April 2013 Treasurer's Report

Tampa Bay Chapter - Florida Surveying & Mapping Society

Treasurer's Report - April 2013

Submitted by: Justin Ferrans

Beginning Balance April 1, 2013	\$829.36
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Income:

4/25/2013	DINNER RECEIPT BEEF O'BRADYS	\$390.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4/25/2013	TOM KANEY FUND	\$86.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Total Income:	\$476.00		\$1,305.36
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Expenses:

4/10/2013	IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH DONATION	\$100.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4/25/2013	DINNER BEEF O'BRADYS	\$270.94	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4/30/2013	BANK FEES	\$10.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Total Expenses:	\$380.94		\$924.42
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Balance as of April 30, 2013 **\$924.42**

✓ - cleared in Bank Statement

Dedicated Funds:

Marbles:		\$0.00
TKF Fund	4-1-2013 THRU 4-30-2013	\$86.00
PAC FUND		\$0.00
GALLONS FOR GI'S		\$85.75