**South Dakota Electronic Recording Commission**

**Teleconference Meeting**

**Tuesday, December 20, 2016**

**MINUTES**

The South Dakota Electronic Recording Commission members participated in the meeting via a teleconference/audio link on Tuesday, December 20, 2016. Committee Chair, Julie Risty called the meeting to order at 10:01 am CT/ 9:01 am MT

Roll call was held and quorum was established with the following South Dakota Electronic Recording Commission Members present:

Julie Risty, Chair – Minnehaha County Register of Deeds

Deb Young, Vice Chair – Davison County Register of Deeds

Sheree Green – Lawrence County Register of Deeds

Elaine Reimers – Brule County Register of Deeds

Haven Stuck – South Dakota State Bar Association Representative

Greg Wick – South Dakota Land Title Association Representative

Mitch LaFleur – South Dakota Land Title Association Representative

Donald Straka – South Dakota Bankers Association Representative

Kris Jacobsen, SDACO Deputy Director

Members absent:

Peggy Johnson – Sully County Register of Deeds

Monte Watembach – Information Technology Professional

A motion to approve the Minutes of November 16, 2016 was made by Greg Wick, seconded by Elaine Reimers. With no abstention or opposition, motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

A motion to approve the Agenda was made by Sheree Green, seconded by Donald Straka. With no abstention or opposition, motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Discussion ensued regarding the status of Commission Member Appointments. SDACO President Cindy Brugman reappointed Deb Young, Davison County Register of Deeds, to fill the “Under 20,000 Population” category and Lana Anderson, Meade County Register of Deeds, to fill the “20,000 – 75,000 Population” category. The South Dakota Bankers Association reappointed Donald Straka. No formal appointments yet for the South Dakota Land Title Association or the South Dakota State Bar Association.

A Press Release was developed to distribute to the local newspapers to inform the public and businesses that some counties are participating in electronically recording real estate documents. A couple of changes were suggested and a final copy will be distributed in the very near future.

The SDACO Website will now include the names of counties that are e-Recording and other pertinent information. That data will be gathered and posted for view.

An in-depth discussion began on the legality of acceptance of eNotarization and Remotely Notarized documents in South Dakota.

Chairperson, Julie Risty then asked if there was anyone on the teleconference from the public who wished to provide public comment. Kris, from the South Dakota Association of County Officials’ office, informed the group that there was no one present at the SDACO office for comment, and no other public comment was made.

There being no further business, the motion to adjourn was made by Deb Young and seconded by Mitch LeFleur. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.