MINUTES
South Dakota Municipal League
ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING AND ELECTION

October 11, 2019 ★ Aberdeen Ramkota Hotel and Conference Center

President Sumption called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m.

Karl Alberts, Aberdeen, presented the report of the audit committee, made up of Alberts, Rebecca Brunsing, Wagner, Michelle De Neui, Spearfish, Pauline Sumption, Rapid City, and Tracy Davis, Rapid City. Alberts reported finding no irregularities, and that a clean audit had been issued. Alberts further explained that the committee meets each year to review all of the affiliate financial information, and reports annually to both the SDML Board and to each affiliate board. Alberts thanked those who had helped with the financial review process. It was moved by Carole Kiecker, Java, seconded Arnie Schott, McLaughlin, to accept the report of the Auditing Committee. Upon unanimous vote, the motion was approved.

Yvonne Taylor presented the Executive Director’s Annual Report and discussed the various projects throughout the year. Taylor introduced the SDML staff, noting how excellent the staff is year round, and expressed the staff’s gratitude for being able to work for the municipalities of South Dakota.

Debbie Houseman, Chair of the Resolutions Committee, led the review of the policies as presented by the Resolutions Committee.

After full review of the policies by the assembled members, it was moved by Meri Jo Anderson, New Underwood, seconded by Becky Brunsing, Wagner, to approve the 2020 Statement of as presented. Upon unanimous vote, the motion was approved.

President Sumption gave brief remarks on the resiliency of municipal officials and her appreciation to the membership.

President Sumption presented a resolution of appreciation to the Host Community of Aberdeen. Mayor Travis Shaunaman accepted the resolution on behalf of the city.

Taylor presented Sumption with the President’s plaque, in appreciation of her service to the SDML.

President Sumption presented certificates of appreciate to the Executive Board members.

President Sumption presented Yvonne Taylor with the Stutz award for 25 years of municipal league service.

Meri Jo Anderson, New Underwood, presented the report of the nominating committee as follows:
President: Debra Houseman, Finance Officer, Lake Andes
1st Vice President: Steve Allender, Mayor, Rapid City
2nd Vice President: Amy Leon, City Manager, Yankton
Trustee: Karl Alberts, Finance Officer, Aberdeen
Trustee: Christine Erickson, Councilmember, Sioux Falls
Trustee: Fay Bueno, Finance Officer, Sturgis
Trustee: Carolynn Anderson, Finance Officer, Wall
Trustee: Harry Weller, Mayor, Kadoka

President Sumption asked for a motion on the report of the Nominating Committee.

It was moved by Becky Brunsing, Wagner, seconded by Kyle Cwach, Canton, to approve the Report of the Nominating Committee for the 2019-2020 Slate of Officers. Upon unanimous vote, the slate of officers was elected.

Pauline Sumption presented the gavel to newly-elected President Debra Houseman.

Newly Elected President Houseman gave brief remarks thanking other members of the board, and thanked the membership for this honor.

Following drawings for door prizes and there being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 11:20 a.m.