Call to Order
President Mike Wendland called the meeting to order at 1:16 p.m.

Determination of a Quorum

Members Present
Mike Wendland, Baltic; Debbie Houseman, Lake Andes; Meri Jo Anderson, New Underwood; Carolyn Anderson, Wall; Becky Brunsing, Wagner; Pauline Sumption, Rapid City; Leland Treichel, Roscoe; Arnold Schott, McLaughlin; Karl Alberts, Aberdeen; Dawn Murphy, Tea; Harry Weller, Kadoka; Amy Nelson, Yankton; Mike Grosek, Webster;

Unable to attend were: Paullyn Carey, Huron; Christine Erickson, Sioux Falls; Michelle DeNeui, Spearfish; Renae Phinney, Ree Heights; Fay Bueno, Sturgis; Steve Allender, Rapid City

Others present: Yvonne Taylor, SDML Executive Director

Approval of the Minutes
It was moved by Grosek, seconded by Weller to approve the minutes of the February 6, 2018 Board meeting as presented. Upon unanimous vote, the motion was approved.

Approval of the Financial Statements
After discussion, it was moved by Sumption, seconded by Meri Jo Anderson to approve the financial statements as presented. Upon unanimous vote, the motion was approved.

Audit Report
Audit Committee Chair Karl Alberts presented the draft audit report, noting it was a clean audit. After discussion, it was deferred to the next meeting when the report will be final before being accepted by the Board.

Reminder of 2018 Meeting Schedule
President Wendland noted the 2018 meeting schedule and encouraged Board Members to plan to attend.

- October 2, 2018 – Pierre (Annual Conference Meeting)
- December 12-13, 2018 – Ft. Pierre (Joint Meeting with Counties)
**New Business**

**District Meeting Recap** Taylor presented the Board with statistics from the last several years, noting a decrease in attendance in 2018. Discussion was held on possible ways to change district meetings, and on ways to encourage attendance.

**Approval of 2019 District Meeting Schedule** It was moved by Houseman, seconded by Weller, to approve the 2019 District Meeting Schedule as presented. Upon unanimous vote, the motion was approved.

**Membership Update** Taylor presented statistics on membership, noting the non-members were very small towns, and that 95.8% of municipalities are active members of the SDML.

**Conference Update** Taylor informed the Board that David Ivan would be speaking on regionalism and making small cities cool. She further noted that the gubernatorial candidates had been invited for a forum, several other programs had been finalized, and a ventriloquist had been arranged for Thursday evening’s banquet entertainment.

**Appoint SDML Representatives to the SDML Workers’ Compensation Fund Board of Trustees and the Health Pool of South Dakota** It was moved by Brunsing, seconded by Schott, to reappoint Mike Grosek and Yvonne Taylor to the SDML Workers’ Compensation Board, and to reappoint Jennifer Eimers and Yvonne Taylor to the Health Pool of South Dakota Board. Upon unanimous vote, the motion was approved.

**Key Person/Disability Coverage Discussion**
Taylor asked for the Board’s thoughts on providing disability coverage. Taylor was directed to explore what is offered through the SD Retirement System and report back to the board in October.

**Consideration of Ballot Issue Positions**
Taylor outlined the six items proposed for the November ballot, noting that IM 26, dealing with prescription drug pricing, was in court pending a challenge to signatures, and may not make the ballot. Taylor outlined provisions of Constitutional Amendment W, and recommended the Board take a position opposing the proposed amendment. It was moved by Nelson, seconded by Sumption, to oppose the proposed Constitutional Amendment W. Upon unanimous vote, the motion was approved.

**Code Enforcement Update**
Taylor explained that the company which had been exploring coming to South Dakota had backed out, and the plan was to now try to find a pilot city with an established program that might be willing to share an employee with surrounding towns. Nelson expressed interest in discussing Yankton as a pilot city.

**Approach/Topics for New Governor**
Taylor asked the Board for thoughts on how to approach the new governor, and what topics should be raised. After discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to create a sub-committee
to discuss issues and solutions that could be taken to the new governor when elected. Sub-committee members are: Amy Nelson; Pauline Sumption; Harry Weller; Becky Brunsing

**Old Business**

**Update on the Buffalo Chip**
Taylor explained that the Supreme Court had kicked the State back to circuit court, and that the State had filed to continue the challenge to the incorporation of the Buffalo Chip, but on very narrow grounds. Taylor recommended the Board consider amending the SDML Constitution to require Board approval of new members and presented proposed language to that effect.

It was moved by Nelson, seconded by Carolyn Anderson to approve the language as further amended by the Board, and contingent on review by an attorney, for consideration of the membership. Upon unanimous vote, the motion was approved.

**Board Member Items**
Sumption noted that slowness and timing of sales tax and other payments from the state have been an issue. Several board members concurred with this concern.

**Director’s Report**
Taylor updated the Board about on-going discussions regarding the development of a model ordinance on small cell technology, and requested the Board approve expenditures to continue this project. It was moved by Treichel, seconded by Schott to allow up to $10,000 for the project.

Taylor noted the recent success of the Finance Officers’ School, and complimented the excellent SDML staff.

**Executive Session**
There being no expressed need for an executive session, the Board adjourned at 2:46 p.m. to tour the City of Baltic and attend a team-building exercise.