

PRIA Local 906 – Inaugural Meeting

Staybridge Suites – Marquette, MI Tuesday, October 15th - 1:00p.m.

Attendees: See attached list

Introductions and 906 PRIA Local purpose

Nakia McFarland, Kofile Technologies and Mary Ann Froberg, Alger County Register of Deeds

Introductions: The Co-chairs introduced themselves and attendees went around the room with an introduction of themselves.

Objective: A structured forum to enhance industry communication and bring together property records industry partners at the local level.

Agenda Topics: A list of local agenda topics for this meeting as well as future meetings was discussed that include eRecording; standardized indexing; GIS practices; Electronic Notarization; Blockchain; ransomware as well as other industry topics.

Open discussion:

eRecording: Nakia McFarland explained the history of eRecording and shared National and Statewide statistics. The value of eRecording for Submitters and Registers was explained. Nakia also pointed out that Michigan is a race notice state, so eRecording can be very beneficial in that aspect because of the quick processing time.

Hear from a Peer: Carla L’Huillier, Marquette County Register of Deeds shared a printout of statistics for Marquette County and explained the benefits of eRecording in Marquette County. Kate Schuetter, Associate owner of Transnation Title Agency explained why her company started eRecording and the benefits of it from a title company’s perspective. Q & A followed.

How to begin eRecording: Nakia McFarland reviewed the process on how to get started eRecording for Registers and Submitters. A list of names and contacts for vendors that provide eRecording services was shared. Q & A followed.

Record if Known Error: Mary Ann Froberg had examples of common errors in document preparation with the main question being ...To record or not to record? After much discussion, the majority felt it was better to contact the submitter and correct the error instead of recording it with a known error. It was the consensus of the attendees that here in the U.P. we tend to work together and contact the submitter and correct the error if at all possible.

What can your Register do for You: Mary Ann Froberg led an open discussion on what things can the Register’s Office do for the private sector to better assist them.

Future of the PRIA Local 906 Chapter: The plan is to have two meetings twice a year in the Spring and Fall at a location within the U.P., not necessarily always in Marquette. A list of potential agenda topics was reviewed once again.

Meeting ended at 3:00 p.m.

PRIA Sign-In Sheet 10/15/19 EMAIL

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