

**Minutes  
Boreal Access Annual Meeting  
October 20, 2008**

The 2008 Annual meeting was called to order at 6:05 PM by President Nickolay.

Board members present: Tim Nickolay, Audrey Stattelmann, Steve Surbaugh, Walt Mianowski; also present: Jack McDonnell, Sandra Schutte, Sheila Wieben, Tom Dwyer and Pete Harris.

Minutes of the 2007 annual meeting: motion to approve – Surbaugh/Stattleman, all ayes.

President's report (Nickolay): Outlined the highlights from the past 12 months including the Ham Lake Fire achievement award, Community Broadband Discussions with the potential future of a Fiber build-out countywide project as well as losing dial-up members to DSL and Satellite but retaining the members for the local perks and support. Boreal was created to service our rural community and it continues to do that.

Treasurer's report (Surbaugh): In sticking with the non-profit status Boreal's previous fiscal year loss was approximately \$8,000. This is about \$14,000.00 less than the loss of the previous year so we are doing a good job at keeping costs down. Stattelmann/Mianowski, all ayes.

Technology report (J. McDonnell): Jack took questions from the floor and briefly discussed the new County Tower project.

Question/Comments – Pete Harris commented on our great local services and how lucky we are to have Boreal be such a large part of this community.

Election of board members: 243 ballots were cast. Barb Gervais and Mianowski are elected to 3 year terms. Congratulations Barb & Walt!

Motion to adjourn - Stattelmann/Surbaugh, all ayes

Adjourned 6:35 PM.