

# **NDSPLS makes Presentation at the North Dakota County Recorders 2021 Annual Convention**

Thursday June 10, 2021 members of the NDSPLS made a presentation showing the proposed changes to the North Dakota Land Survey Monument Record form, and the importance of the Corner Record to the Public and to the baseline for all record documents that transfer ownerships from the Federal Government to the private sector, or from individual to individual. How these Corner Records are to the basis for any legal description or transaction.

The 2021 Recorder's Convention was held at the West Fargo Convention Center, West Fargo North Dakota.

NDSPLS spoke at the 8:00 A.M. breakfast faction. There were about 35 recorders in attendance out of the 52 counties.

The power point presentation started with the showing of the area of North Dakota being surveyed off the 5th Principal Meridian and how the Dakota Territory was established and broken into North and South Dakota.

A sample of an original Plat and field notes were shown to show how surveyors must follow the original intent of these surveys and surveyors footsteps. The examples of the plat and notes were to instill in the minds of the recorders why the corner records are very important to the land surveyors and the public.

The purpose of each numbered item on the form were explained.

The recorders were asked if any questions and/or suggested changed to the proposed form.

The result of the questions the recorders suggested two changes.

1. The words within the boxed area where the recorders place their document information, could be removed. The out lined box could remain. The majority of the recorders have this information on a label that get placed on the form in this area.

2. Item number 7, the Township index diagram should be made larger.

The Corner Record Form Committee will now address the changes the Recorder's requested and remap the form that was presented to the NDSPLS and the Recorder's for comments earlier in April. Our goal is to get a form that is acceptable to all involved and to present to the NDSBOR this fall for their review and acceptance. Stay tuned for updates as they occur.

The presentation lasted 57 minutes. Now at the end of the secession many recorders stayed in the room and asked a number of questions unrelated to the presentation, but about surveying.

With the interest in surveying and land boundary descriptions, this could lead to NDSPLS making additional appearances speaking on a number of survey topics.