GIS Council Meeting

NITC Representatives: John Watermolen, Lori Lopez Urdiales, Jeff Timm, Justin Wolff and Trisha Schlake

Voting Members Present: Kea Morovitz, Public Service Commission, Chair
Trinity Chappelear, Governor’s Policy Research Office
Tim Cielocha, Public Power Districts
Claire Inbody, Department of Transportation
Lesli Rawlings, NE Geospatial Professional Assoc.
Chad Boshart, NEMA/Military Dept.
Eric Herbert, Omaha Metro Area
Tim Erickson, Clerk of the Legislature
Jeff McReynolds, Lincoln Metro Area
Gary Morrison, Department of Environment and Energy
Mike Schonlau, Member at Large
Chuck Wingert, Natural Resources Districts
Jim Langtry, USGS
Steve Rathje, Department of Natural Resources
Danny Pittman, NACO

Voting Members Not Present: John Beran, State Surveyor
Doug Hallum, Conservation and Survey Division, UNL
Barbara Oswold Department of Revenue (Non-voting)
Kyle Otte, Nebraska State Patrol
Devarsi Majumder, Nebraska Game and Parks Commission
Han Liu, Department of Health and Human Services
Lash Chaffin, League of Nebraska Municipalities
John McKee, NACO
Jim Ohmberger, Office of the CIO

Roll Call: Chair, Kea Morovitz, called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. Roll call was taken.

Quorum: A quorum was present to conduct official business.

AGENDA ITEM: APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Conclusions:
Results: Yes-11, No-0, Abstained-3. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM: NOMINATIONS FOR CHAIR
Discussion: Mr. Herbert moved to approve the nomination of Mike Schonlau to serve as Chair. Mr. Rathje seconded. Roll call vote: Morovitz-Yes, Cielocha-Yes, Inbody-Yes, Rathje-Yes, Rawlings-Yes, Chappelear-Yes, Boshart-Yes, Herbert-Yes, Erickson-Yes, Wingert-Yes, Pittman-Yes, McReynolds-Yes, Morrison-Yes, Schonlau-Yes, and Langtry-Yes.

Conclusion:
Results: Yes-15, No-0, Abstained-0. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM: NOMINATION FOR VICE CHAIR

Conclusion:
Results: Yes-15, No-0, Abstained-0. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM: NOMINATION FOR GIS RELATED INDUSTRY
Discussion: The GIS Council Charter indicated that these do not need to be voted or action taken. It stated that names needed to be provided. There were two nominees:

- Don Linquist, Precision Agriculture Support Specialist- Mitchell Implements
- Matt Tinkham, Surveyor Lamp Rynearson

Mr. McReynolds moved to approve the two nominations for GIS Related Industry representatives. Mr. Herbert seconded. No voting was required.

Conclusion: By group consensus Mr. Linquist and Mr. Tinkham were nominated to represent a GIS industry on the GIS Council.

Results:

AGENDA ITEM: NOMINATION FOR MEMBER-AT-LARGE
Discussion: Three nominations were submitted for the At-Large vacancy on the Council:

- Bailey Gibson, GIS Coordinator, Hall County
- Josh Corrigan, GIS Coordinator, Metro Area Planning Agency (MAPA) (3)
- Lindsay Dreckman, GIS Manager, Metropolitan Utility District (2)

Ballots were distributed for voting. Bailey Gibson won the election with 10 of 15 votes.


Conclusion:

Results: Yes-15, No-0, Abstained-0. Motion carried.

Agenda item: STRATEGIC INITIATIVE ACTION ITEMS UPDATES & UPDATE FROM THE NITC JULY 25TH MEETING
Discussion: NebraskaMap. Eighteen (18) DHHS applications have been updated. The 1993 and 1999 DOQQ’s were added and a 30M DEM plus some agency data sets. The site is getting 175-200 views a day. A story that ESRI did on the site.

Existing Workgroups. The Council members were asked to give some thought to the existing Council's work groups to determine continuation, reactivation or establish new work groups. Members were asked to give this some consideration.

- Elevation
- Boundary
- Street Centerline
- Address Point
- Imagery

Some suggestions were as follows:

- Redistricting
- Piece App Boundary (g11)
- New Annexations within county boundaries. Mr. Erickson attended a national conference. There is interest in this initiative. OCIO is working with Department of Revenue and sales tax boundary data.

Conclusions: Members were asked to be prepared for discussion and review for the next meeting

Results:

Agenda item: UPDATE WITH 3D NATION/LIDAR COLLECTION
Discussion: Mr. Langtry reported that the cost sharing program for 3DEP program was released in September. The deadline for the first round of funding is Friday, November 8th. The BAA (Broad Agency Announcement) will be open through the year. Members were given an opportunity to ask questions.

Conclusion:

Results:

Agenda item: UPDATE FROM MEMBER AGENCIES
Discussion: Updates were given by the following agencies: Office of the CIO, Nebraska Department of Transportation; Department of Natural Resources; Nebraska Emergency Management Agency; Natural Resource Districts; Omaha Metro Area; Lancaster County/City of Lincoln; Douglas County; GIS Professional Educators; and the Public Service Commission.
Conclusions:

Results:

**AGENDA ITEM:** REPORT FROM THE NSGIC ANNUAL MEETING
**Discussion:** Mr. Watermolen attended national state geographic info council. Many vendors were there. The main focus was a self-reporting Geospatial Maturity Assessment. The categories included: Coordination; Address Point Data Layer; Cadastral (State Parcel Data); Elevation; Ortho Leaf Off; Transportation (street centerlines); Geodetic Control; Govern Unit Boundaries; Hydrology (updates to NHD) and Ortho Leaf On. Stress testing of data was also emphasized. Hexagon announce a change in resolution for imagery for their subscription. It is now 15cm statewide and 5 cm in cities. Statescoops GIS Addressed podcasts are available on the SoundCloud app or on Spotify. Tennessee developed some LIDAR training that is available on YouTube.

Conclusions:

Results:

**AGENDA ITEM:** OTHER BUSINESS
**Discussion:** None of the agencies on the Council have submitted any legislation this year.

Conclusions:

Results:

**AGENDA ITEM:** GIS DAY, November 13, 2019
**Discussion:** The GIS Day presentations for the State will be held from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the 4th floor hearing room, 1526 K Street, Lincoln. Mappy Hour will be at Longwells in the Haymarket starting at 5 p.m.

**Certificate of Appreciation.** Mr. Watermolen presented Kea Morovitz with certificate of appreciation for serving as GIS Council Chair.

Conclusions:

Results:

**AGENDA ITEM:** MEETING DATES FOR 2020
**Discussion:** The meeting dates for 2020 are as follows: February 12th, May 6th, August 5th, and November 4th. Meetings will be held at the Department of Transportation Auditorium.

Conclusions:

Results:

**AGENDA ITEM:** MEETING CONCLUSION
**Discussion:** Mr. Herbert moved to adjourn. Mr. McReynolds seconded.

**Conclusions:**

Results: All were in favor. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

**AGENDA ITEM:** OTHER INFORMATION
**Resources:**

The open meeting laws were displayed in the meeting room. The meeting notice posted on the Nebraska Public Meeting Calendar on January 3, 2019 and agenda posted on GIS Council website July 15, 2019.

**Special notes:**

The next meeting will be February 12, 2020, 1:00-3:30 p.m. at the Department of Transportation, Lincoln Nebraska.

Meeting minutes were taken by Lori Lopez Urdiales and reviewed by John Watermolen of the Office of the CIO/NITC.