



# GIS Council Meeting

**APPROVED MINUTES**

February 12, 2020

1:00pm – 3:10 pm

Nebraska Department of  
Transportation - Main  
Auditorium

**NITC Representatives:**

John Watermolen, Lori Lopez Urdiales, Justin Wolff and Trisha Schlake

**Voting Members Present:**

Mike Schonlau, Member at Large, Chair  
Casey Dunn, Nebraska State Patrol, Vice-Chair  
Kea Morovitz, Public Service Commission  
Devarsi Majumder, Nebraska Game and Parks Commission  
Claire Inbody, Department of Transportation  
Steve Rathje, Department of Natural Resources  
Jim Ohmberger, Office of the CIO  
Barbara Oswald Department of Revenue (Non-voting)  
Doug Hallum, Conservation and Survey Division, UNL  
Lesli Rawlings, NE Geospatial Professional Assoc.  
Han Liu, Department of Health and Human Services  
Chad Boshart, NEMA/Military Dept.  
Casey Sherlock, State Surveyor  
Eric Herbert, Omaha Metro Area  
Chuck Wingert, Natural Resources Districts  
Jeff McReynolds, Lincoln Metro Area  
Gary Morrison, Department of Environment and Energy  
Jim Langtry, USGS  
Tinkman, Matt, Member At Large  
Bailey Gibson, Member At Large  
Dan Lindquist, Member At Large  
Tim Cielocha, Public Power Districts  
Trinity Chappellear, Governor's Policy Research Office  
Tim Erickson, Clerk of the Legislature  
Danny Pittman, NACO  
John McKee, NACO  
Lash Chaffin, League of Nebraska Municipalities

**Voting Members Not Present:**

**Roll Call:** Chair, Mike Schonlau, 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

**Discussion:** Mr. McReynolds moved to approve the November 6, 2019 minutes as presented. Ms. Dunn seconded. Roll call vote: Roll call vote: Schonlau-Yes, Dunn-Abstained, Morovitz-Yes, Majumder-Yes, Inbody-Yes, Rathje-Yes, Ohmberger-Yes, Hallum-Abstained, Rawlings-Yes, Boshart-Yes, Sherlock-Abstained, Herbert-Yes, Wingert-Yes, McReynolds-Yes, Morrison-Yes, Langtry-Yes, Gibson-Yes, and Lindquist-Abstained.

**Conclusions:**

**Results:** Yes-15, No-0, Abstained-4. Motion carried.

Matt Tinkman and Han Liu arrived to the meeting.

**AGENDA ITEM:** DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE VOTE ON GIS COUNCIL CHARTER AMENDMENT

**Discussion:** Mr. Watermolen explained that when the Council had vacancies for the Members At Large members, the Council Charter did not address the process to fill the vacancy. Mr. Herbert moved to approve the charter amendment. There was no second. Discussion followed. Ms. Dunn seconded. Roll call vote: Schonlau-Yes, Dunn-Yes, Morovitz-Yes, Majumder-Yes, Inbody-Yes, Rathje-Yes, Ohmberger-Yes, Hallum-Yes, Rawlings-Yes, Liu-Yes Boshart-Yes, Sherlock-Yes, Herbert-Yes, Wingert-Yes, McReynolds-Yes, Morrison-Yes, Langtry-Yes, Tinkman-Yes, Gibson-Yes, and Lindquist-Yes.

**Conclusion:**

**Results:** Yes-21, No-0, Abstained-0. Motion carried.

**AGENDA ITEM:** STRATEGIC INITIATIVE ACTION ITEMS UPDATE

**Discussion:** The website is up and running. Members were asked to get the word out. After showing an ESRI instructor how to down the data, NebraskaMAP is being used for training. Council members requested that the OCIO develop a protocol for updating and/or retiring data sets as well. NebraskaMAP averages approximately 100-150 hits a day. The OCIO Public Information Officer is working on a publicity plan for Network Nebraska. NESDI is one of the Statewide Technology Plan's Strategic Goals but needs to be updated.

Tim Erickson arrived to the meeting.

**Conclusion:** After discussion, the Council decided to send their feedback to Mr. Watermolen by February 26th. A draft of the changes will be sent to the Council members for final review and recommendations prior to the March 12<sup>th</sup> NITC meeting.

**Results:**

**AGENDA ITEM:** UPDATE WITH 3D NATION/LIDAR COLLECTION

**Discussion:** Mr. Langtry reported that the project is in the final stages. States are given an opportunity to update their information. The final report will be available in 3-6 weeks. NRCS has funds available for another project his year. Douglas, Sarpy and Lancaster counties are waiting to hear word on their 2020 LIDAR Project.

**Conclusion:**

**Results:**

**AGENDA ITEM:** PRESENTATION – 2022 DATUM

**Discussion:** Casey Sherlock provided the 2020 Datum presentation to the council. The project began in 2018 with the former State Surveyor, Steve Cobb. NAD83 will be going away and replaced by NGS2022 as part of the NSRS Modernization. Gravity (GRAVD) is intertwined with height and elevation. Also going away are hard points in the ground. There will be local and state maintenance. Members were given an opportunity to ask questions and hold discussion during the presentation. Council members recommended giving this presentation to other stakeholders.

**Conclusion:**

**Results:**

**Agenda item:** IMAGERY PROJECTS 2020

**Discussion:**

NAIP, John Watermolen. Mr. Watermolen spoke with FSA. In July 2020, there will be a NAIP collection. There are no changes from the 2018 collection of .6 meter and there is no current estimated delivery date.

NIROC, Mike Schonlau. Depending on ground conditions, the project will be capturing for Omaha and Lincoln areas in April. In July, the project will fly high resolution oblique 3 inch imagery.

**Conclusions:**

**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.

**Conclusion:**

**Results:**

**Agenda item:** UPCOMING GIS CONFERENCES

**Discussion:**

Mid America GIS (MAGIC) Symposium in Omaha April 21-23

ESRI Midwest User Conference in Chicago February 25-26

April 10<sup>th</sup>, annual GIS/LIS Annual meeting at Mahoney State Park. There will be email correspondence sent out next week.

**Conclusions:**

**Results:**

**Agenda item:** OTHER BUSINESS

**Discussion:** Mr. Schonlau announced that ArcMAP is reaching "end of life". One year from now all new developments will not be feasible.

**Conclusions:**

**Results:**

**AGENDA ITEM:** DATES FOR 2020

**Discussion:** Meetings dates for 2020 will be February 12<sup>th</sup>, May 6<sup>th</sup>, August 5<sup>th</sup> and November 4<sup>th</sup>.

**Conclusions:**

**Results:**

**AGENDA ITEM:** INVITATION FOR PUBLIC COMMENT FROM ATTENDEES

**Discussion:** There was no public comment.

**Conclusions:**

**Results:**

**AGENDA ITEM:** MEETING CONCLUSION

**Discussion:** Mr. Herbert moved to adjourn. Ms. Dunn seconded.

**Conclusions:**

**Results:** All were in favor. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 3:10 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 January 15, 2020 .

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.