

**NEBRASKA GIS COUNCIL - Minutes**

Wednesday, March 6, 2024, 1–3:30 p.m. (Virtual Voting Allowed)

Department of Environment and Energy

245 Fallbrook Blvd, Hearing Room 31, Lincoln, Nebraska

<b>GIS COUNCIL Member / Designee</b>	<b>REPRESENTATING</b>	<b>PRESENT</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>	<b>CALL-IN</b>
Erickson, Tim – <i>(meeting)</i> Chair	Clerk of the Legislature			<b>X</b>
Jeff McReynolds – Vice-Chair	Member-At-Large		<b>X</b>	
Dave Hattan	Chief Information Officer			<b>X</b>
Jennifer Parmeley	Dept Health and Human Services CEO		<b>X</b>	
Brandon Beethe	Dept of Environment and Energy	<b>X</b>		
Doug Hallum	UNL Conservation & Survey Division	<b>X</b>		
Ryan Werner	Department of Natural Resources	<b>X</b>		
Grant Latimer	Governor’s Policy Research Office		<b>X</b>	
Claire Inbody	Director-State Engineer			<b>X</b>
Casey Sherlock	State Surveyor	<b>X</b>		
Spencer Trowbridge	Game and Parks Commission	<b>X</b>		
Barb Oswald	Property Tax Administrator			<b>X</b>
<i>Vacant</i>	Federal Agencies			
Chuck Wingert	NE Association of Resource Districts			<b>X</b>
Tim Cielocha	Public Power Districts			<b>X</b>
Sean Kennedy	NACO Representative – Counties		<b>X</b>	
Nancy Salmon	NACO Representative - Counties			<b>X</b>
Mike Schonlau	League of Nebraska Municipalities			<b>X</b>
<i>Vacant</i>	Member-At-Large			
<i>Vacant</i>	Nebraska Emergency Management			
<i>Vacant</i>	Public Service Commission			
Lesli Rawlings	Geospatial Professional Organization			<b>X</b>
Eric Herbert	Omaha Metro Area			<b>X</b>
Adam Miller	Lincoln Metro		<b>X</b>	
Don Lindquist	Member-At-Large – AG Tech			<b>X</b>
Matt Tinkham	Member-At-Large – Surveyors		<b>X</b>	
Charlie Lucas	Nebraska State Patrol		<b>X</b>	
<i>Vacant</i>	Official Tribal Organization in Nebraska			

**OCIO STAFF PRESENT:**

Casey DunnGossin, Office of the CIO

Rene Ingersoll, Office of the CIO

Joe Stephenson, Office of the CIO

Carlos Romero, Office of the CIO

## **ROLL CALL; MEETING NOTICE; OPEN MEETINGS ACT INFORMATION**

The Past-Chair, Tim Erickson, called the meeting to order at 1 p.m. A quorum of 16 voting members was present. The meeting notice was posted to the NITC website and the Nebraska Public Meeting Calendar on January 23, 2024. The agenda was posted to the NITC website on February 27, 2024. The Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available on the table with the meeting materials.

## **VOTE ON A MEETING CHAIR\***

Ms. DunnGossin explained that the council currently does not have a Vice Chair who would have served as the new Chair in January. When Christian Nielson was nominated to serve as Vice Chair his appointment to the Council had not been approved by the Governor's office. Jeff McReynolds was voted to be vice chair for 2024 in November 2023, and was not present.

For today's meeting voting, if nominated and voted on Tim Erickson agreed to be the Meeting Chair.

**Mr. Werner moved to nominate Tim Erickson as the meeting chair. Mr. Beethe seconded. There were no more nominations from the floor. Roll call vote: Erickson-Yes, Sherlock-Yes, Cielocha-Yes, Hallum-Yes, Hattan-Yes, Herbert-Yes, Inbody-Yes, Beethe-Yes, Lindquist-Yes, Miller-Yes, Rawlings-Yes, Salmon-Yes, Schonlau-Yes, Trowbridge-Yes, Werner-Yes, and Wingert-Yes. Roll call vote: Yes-16, No-0, Abstained-0. Motion carried.**

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM 11/1/2023\***

**Mr. Hallum moved to approve the November 1, 2023 meeting minutes as presented. Mr. Schonlau seconded. Roll call vote: Erickson-Yes, Sherlock-Yes, Cielocha-Abstained, Hallum-Yes, Hattan-Yes, Herbert-Yes, Inbody-Yes, Beethe-Abstained, Lindquist-Yes, Miller-Abstained, Rawlings-Yes, Salmon-Yes, Schonlau-Yes, Trowbridge-Yes, Werner-Yes, and Wingert-Yes. Roll call vote: Yes-16, No-0, Abstained-3. Motion carried.**

## **NEBRASKA STATEWIDE TECHNOLOGY PLAN: STRATEGIC INITIATIVE ACTION ITEMS**

### **Formalize the definition of the Nebraska Spatial Data Infrastructure (NESDI) and Data Stewardship - Review Action Item**

After discussion, it was recommended to keep this action item with no changes.

Boundary Review Meeting Update. At the meeting, the group was able to get through several pages of statutes. It was decided to create a spreadsheet to follow and track boundaries. The next meeting will be held on March 12th at 10 a.m.

## **Geodetic and Survey Control Inventory and Assessment – Review Action Item**

After discussion, it was recommended to keep this action item with no changes. If after the meeting members had any recommendations, they were asked to send them to Ms. DunnGossin.

**LB102 Update.** “To change provisions relating to the Nebraska Plane Coordinate System Act and the Land Surveyors Regulation Act; to define and redefine terms; to authorize certain land surveying activities; to provide for requirements, liability, licensure, duties, organizational practice, and disciplinary action as prescribed; to change requirements for the content and filing of land surveys; to change and provide penalties; to change and provide fees; to harmonize provisions; to provide an operative date; and to repeal the original sections.”

The bill was signed into law yesterday and will be effective September 1<sup>st</sup>. He went before the council about a year ago. Statutes containing reference to federal regulations were omitted. The GIS Council essential would adopt the language in the law. When NGCS makes changes, the Nebraska GIS Council would develop the standard. Since these are federal standards, they would not need to be approved by the NITC.

Mr. Sherlock was acknowledged and commended for his work on LB102.

## **Nebraska Statewide Elevation Program – Review Action Item.**

After discussion and review of the Action Item, it was recommended not to include this action item in the Statewide Technology Plan. If the Council sees the need, it can be added later in time.

**Mr. Hallam moved to retire the Nebraska Statewide Elevation Program action item from the Statewide Technology Plan. Ms. Salmon seconded. Roll call vote: Erickson-Yes, Sherlock-Yes, Cielocha-Yes, Hallum-Yes, Hattan-Yes, Herbert-Yes, Inbody-Yes, Beethe-Yes, Lindquist-Yes, Miller-Yes, Rawlings-Yes, Salmon-Yes, Schonlau-Yes, Trowbridge-Yes, Werner-Yes, and Wingert-Yes. Results: Yes-16, No-0, Abstained-0. Motion carried.**

USGS 3DEP Update. Ms. DeVaughn provided the update. Acquisition status is 82% complete. The project is on target.

## **Nebraska Statewide Imagery Program – Review of Action Item**

After discussion and review of the Action Item, it was recommended not to include this action item in the Statewide Technology Plan. The Council will continue to do imagery.

This summer’s imagery will be 30 centimeters. The data will be available next year. Mr. Schonlau reported that the NIROC project is underway. The data should be available later this summer.

**Mr. Schonlau moved to retire the Nebraska Statewide Imagery Program action item from the Statewide Technology Plan. Mr. Wingert seconded. Roll call vote: Erickson-Yes, Sherlock-Yes, Cielocha-Yes, Hallum-Yes, Hattan-Yes, Herbert-Yes, Inbody-Yes, Beethe-Yes, Lindquist-Yes, Miller-Yes, Rawlings-Yes, Salmon-Yes, Schonlau-Yes, Trowbridge-Yes, Werner-Yes, and Wingert-Yes. Results: Yes-16, No-0, Abstained-0. Motion carried.**

### **Statewide Land Record Information System – Review Action Item**

After discussion, it was recommended to keep this action item with no changes. If after the meeting members had any recommendations, they were asked to send them to Ms. DunnGossin

Parcel Standard Meeting Update. The Land Parcel group met for the first time. The group discussed focusing on two areas and would like to get state surveyor serve on the group.

### **NebraskaMAP: A Geospatial Data Sharing and Web Services Network – Review Action Item**

After discussion and review, it was recommended keep the action item in the Statewide Technology Plan. If after the meeting members had any recommendations, they were asked to send them to Ms. DunnGossin.

Ms. DunnGossin said that it would be good to see how to use other state's workflows to make NebraskaMAP better.

### **MEMBER ORGANIZATION AND REPRESENTATIVES' UPDATES**

The following organizations provided updates: Department of Natural Resources; Nebraska Game and Parks Commission Spenser; Nebraska Geospatial Professional Organization; Department of Environment and Energy; Nebraska Department of Transportation; Clerk of the Legislature; Douglas County and Omaha Metro.

### **OTHER**

**Legislative Update and Letter of Comment for current bills.** Ms. DunnGossin gave a brief report on 5 bills she's been tracking.

LB962 - Prohibit the use of certain projection maps in public schools and require each school board to adopt a policy relating to projection maps.

Ms. Rawlins indicated this could be an issue for schools using Mercator projection in their schools. Mr. Erickson reminded the Council that there were only 21 days left in the legislative session. Any bills that will be heard this session are on the consent calendar. Any bill with an opposition will not make the consent calendar.

### **Approve Booth/Sponsorship for MAGIC Symposium\*.**

The MAGIC Conference is April 16-18, 2024 in Omaha. Ms. DunnGossin would like to have an OCIO/GIS booth. The OCIO/NITC has approved \$500 will be paid towards a booth sponsorship. Ms. DunnGossin will develop a signup sheet for members to assist with the booth.

**Mr. Herbert moved to sponsor a GIS booth at the MAGID Conference in Omaha. Mr. Kennedy seconded. Roll call vote: Erickson-Yes, Sherlock-Yes, Cielocha-Yes, Hallum-Yes, Hattan-Yes, Herbert-Yes, Inbody-Yes, Kennedy-Yes, Beethe-Yes, Lindquist-Yes, Rawlings-Yes, Salmon-Yes, Schonlau-Yes, Trowbridge-Yes, Werner-Yes, and Wingert-Yes. Roll call vote: Yes-16, No-0, Abstained-0. Motion carried.**

### **UPCOMING GIS EVENTS**

The annual GIS/LIS meeting will be held on April 12<sup>th</sup> GIS/LIS at Mahoney Park.

MAGIC Conference will be held on April 16-18 in Omaha.

Mr. Herbert informed the Council that his agency has been receiving requests from the Good Life Tax Districts group for tax boundaries information, but the Sarpy County boundaries are not very clear. The current process as described by the OCIO staff is as follows: the Department of Economic Develop approves the districts, then the Department of Revenue reviews and makes all the changes needed for their forms and sends the approved boundary documents to the OCIO GIS team to update the Good Life Tax District layer available on NebraskaMAP.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

**Mr. Schonlau moved to adjourn. Mr. Herbert seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

The next GIS Council Dates for 2024 dates are June 5, September 4, and October 30.

Meeting minutes were taken by Casey DunnGossin and prepared by Lori Lopez Urdiales of the Office of the CIO/NITC.