

## **Louisiana Geographic Information Systems Council**

Meeting of March 15, 2012

### **1. Call to Order**

Chair Marty Beasley (DOA) called the meeting to order at 1:33 P.M., a quorum was present. The meeting was held in the State Library in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

### **2. Roll Call**

A sign in sheet confirmed attendance.

#### **Member Agencies/Organizations Present:**

##### **Department of Agriculture**

Gus Rowland, **Designee**

##### **Department of Children & Family Services**

Michael Eleam, **Member**

##### **Department of Education**

Steve Gunning, **Member**

##### **Department of Environmental Quality**

Andy Venuto, **Designee**

##### **Department of Health and Hospitals**

Clay Trachtman, **Member**

##### **Department of Justice**

Ryan Seidemann, **Member**

##### **Department of Public Safety**

Michael Henderson, **Member**

##### **Department of Transportation & Development**

Jim Mitchell, **Member**

##### **Department of Wildlife and Fisheries**

Brad Mooney, **Member**

##### **Division of Administration**

Marty Beasley, **Member**

##### **Louisiana Association of Planning & Development Districts**

Lynn Dupont, **Member**

##### **Louisiana Chapter National Emergency Numbering Association**

Kathrine Cargo, **Member**

##### **Louisiana Municipal Association**

Ian Beer, **Member**

##### **Louisiana Police Jury Association**

Jack Gardner, **Designee**

##### **Louisiana Senate**

David Gisclair, **Designee**

##### **Louisiana Workforce Commission**

Sachen Chentawar, **Member**

##### **U.S Department of Homeland Security (FEMA)**

Aimee Preau, **Member**

**US Geological Survey**  
Chris Cretini, **Member**

**Others Present:**

**Baton Rouge Water Company**

Dina Knight

**Department of Health & Hospitals**

Kate Streva

**Department of Transportation & Development**

Kurt Johnson

**Division of Administration, DRU**

Joseph Rossman

**GDM Inc.**

Sean Hodges

**Iberia Parish Government**

Amy Brassieur

**Louisiana Geographic Information Center (LAGIC)**

Craig Johnson

Chris Pennington

Alaa Shams

**NTBA Inc.**

Chris Sliwinski

**Pictometry Inc.**

Gary Mirabeau

**Pixxures Inc.**

Kermit Lewis

**St Tammany Parish Assessor**

Bill Price

**St Tammany Parish Government**

Katie McBay

**Terrebonne Parish Council of Government**

Dale Duplantis

**3. Approval of February 2012 Minutes**

The February 2012 Minutes were accepted with corrections on a motion by Gus Rowland (DW&F) and seconded by Ian Beer (LMA).

**4. Chair's Report:** Chair Beasley thanked all the members for attending and welcomed our speaker Kam Draper from Info Group. Chair Beasley noted that the Louisiana Workforce Commission has a new representative, Ms. Sachin Chentawar. Ms. Chentawar is an economist with the Research and Statistics Division at LWC.

Mr. Beasley also noted that the Secretary of State has requested that a member of the GIS Council sit on a Legislative Study Commission that will be looking at the redistricting process. Mr. Beasley asked for volunteers with no success.

## **5. LAGIC Report:**

**Training:** LAGIC has scheduled ArcGIS and Spatial Analyst Classes in Lafayette, Baton Rouge and New Orleans this spring and summer. LAGIC will sponsor another free one day workshop on Digital Addressing Standards on Monday, April 23rd at the State Library. This workshop will be taught by Martha Wells with Spatial Focus Inc. Ms. Wells worked on a committee that developed the federal Address Standard. Forty eight people attended the last workshop and over 40 are registered for this one.

### **Outreach**

Kathrine Cargo (LaNENA) and Craig Johnson (LAGIC) will present the Statewide Address Maintenance Business Plan at LaNENA's Annual Conference in Marksville, LA on Tuesday, April 16<sup>th</sup>.

LAGIC has been tasked by DOA to develop a Master Address File for Jackson, Union, West Feliciana and Winn Parishes. This effort is part of the Louisiana Broadband Initiative.

## **6. Presentation: Geo-coding Address Point Data by Kam Draper and Al Bennett with Info Group.**

Info Group was created by the merger of Info USA and CCMD Capital. They collect and produce address data, Points of Interest data for navigation systems and federal agencies as well as data for businesses. The company has over 2000 employees and is based in Omaha, Nebraska. All of their data is verified by phone and each data set can have as many as 148 attributes depending on the data being collected. Besides selling data to businesses they supply information to the US Post Office, Census Bureau, FEMA and USGS. Data can be sorted by NAIC or SIC code. Mr. Draper offered to provide a sample data set to any Council member that would like to try it out.

## **7. Old Business**

The National Water Resource Conference will be held in New Orleans between March 26<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>. For more information, go to either the USGS, National Hydrology Dataset (NHD) website or the American Water Resources Association website.

## **8. New Business**

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**10. Next Meeting** – Thursday, April 19<sup>th</sup> at the State Library 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Seminar Room at 1:30pm.

**11. Adjourn** - The meeting adjourned on a motion by Jim Mitchell (DOTD) and seconded by David Gisclair (Senate).

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