

Louisiana Geographic Information Systems Council

Meeting of November 15, 2012

Minutes

1. Call to Order

Chair Marty Beasley (DOA) called the meeting to order at 1:34

PM, a quorum was present. The meeting was held in House Committee Room #3 at the State Capitol in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

2. Roll Call

A sign in sheet confirmed attendance.

Member Agencies/Organizations Present:

Culture Recreation and Tourism

Rachael Watson, **Member**

Department of Agriculture and Forestry

Gus Rowland, **Designee**

Department of Education

Steve Gunning, **Member**

Department of Environmental Quality

Andy Venuto, **Designee**

Department of Health and Hospitals

Clay Trachtman, **Member**

Department of Public Safety

Michael Henderson, **Member**

Department of Transportation & Development

Jim Mitchell, **Member**

Division of Administration

Marty Beasley, **Member**

Department of Wildlife & Fisheries

Brad Mooney, **Member**

Louisiana Assessors Association

Louis Hebert, **Designee**

Louisiana Association of Planning & Development Districts

Lynn Dupont, **Member**

Louisiana Chapter National Emergency Numbering Association

Kathrine Cargo, **Member**

Louisiana Senate

David Gisclair, **Designee**

U.S Department of Homeland Security (FEMA)

Aimee Preau, **Member**

US Geological Survey

Chris Cretini, **Member**

Others Present:

Baton Rouge Water Company

Dina Knight

Coastal Environments Inc.

Gwen Wang

Department of Health and Hospitals

Ryan Bilbo

Kate Streva

Department of Transportation and Development

Doug Albert

Kurt Johnson

GIS Professional

Fran Harvey

Iberia Parish Government

Amy Brassieur

Lincoln Parish Assessor

Pam Jones

Lincoln Parish GIS District

Jackson Matthews

Louisiana Association of Planning and Development Districts

Scott Leger, **Designee**

Louisiana Geographic Information Center (LAGIC)

Craig Johnson

Chris Pennington

Alaa Shams

Navigation Electronics Inc.

Bernard Lemoine

South Central Planning and Development Commission

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St James Parish Government

Bobbie Lear

3. Approval of October 2012 Minutes

The October 2012 Minutes were accepted on a motion by David Gisclair (LOSCO) and seconded by Kathrine Cargo (LaNENA).

4. Chair's Report: Chair Beasley thanked all for attending and asked everyone to please visit the Rotunda to view the GIS Posters on display in honor of GIS Day. Chair Beasley noted that the ESRI State Contract will expire in February and that we need to contact the Division of Administration about renewing the State Contract Pricing or exploring the use of an ELA. Chair Beasley contacted Martha O'Hara (DOA) who handled the last negotiations for the ESRI State

Contract. The Chair noted that he brought to the CIO, the Resolution of the Council recommending that state agencies adopt the FGDC Address Data Standard, but has not yet heard from the CIO.

5. LAGIC Report:

Training: LAGIC has scheduled a series of ArcGIS 10.0 I, II and III classes at UNO in December and January. In addition, LAGIC will host a 1-day LIDAR Workshop on December 20th at LSU, a Spatial Analyst class at DEQ in mid – January, an ESRI Python Scripting Workshop in mid-February and an ESRI Parcel Fabric Workshop at DEQ in early March. There are flyers for all of these workshops on the table in the hallway.

Outreach: LAGIC participated in GIS Day events at three different locations around the state; Bossier for the North Louisiana Users Group, Thibodeaux for their GIS day Event and at Baton Rouge Community College with an exhibit.

The Statewide Address Maintenance Plan should be ready by early December. The Plan will be distributed to the Louisiana Chapter of NENA members and GIS Council members for review.

We have postcards with the data and location of the 2013 RS/GIS Workshop in Lafayette on April 22nd and 23rd. LAGIC is organizing a number of free GIS workshops that will bookend the two-day workshop.

6. Presentation: Local Government Applications of GIS in Lincoln Parish, by Pam Jones Lincoln Parish Assessor and Jackson Matthews, GIS Analyst, Lincoln Parish GIS Commission.

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The Assessor's Office has merged their GIS mapping and their Computer Aided Mass Appraisal System to allow for fairer and more accurate assessments. The Fire District uses GIS to reduce their drive times to shuttle water for fires in rural areas. The School District is now using GIS to route their school buses. The parish uses high resolution ortho photography, Pictometry and street view video for a variety of applications from street sign inventory to 3D modeling.

7. Old Business

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8. New Business

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10. Next Meeting – Friday, December 14th at Efferson Hall (Room #212) on the LSU Campus at 1:00pm (rather than 1:30). The meeting will be followed by a Holiday party in the Rotunda in the Energy, Coast and Environment Building.

11. Adjourn - The meeting adjourned on a motion by David Gisclair (Senate) and seconded by Clay Trachtman (DHH).

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