

# Louisiana Geographic Information Systems Council

Meeting of April 16, 2020

## 1. Call to Order

Chair Kathrine Cargo called the meeting to order at 1:34 PM. A quorum was present via Webex video for the meeting. The meeting was held remotely pursuant to the waivers of viva voce mandates of La. R.S. 42:11 *et seq.*, contained in 2020 JBE 41.

## 2. Roll Call

A sign-in sheet confirmed attendance.

### Member Agencies/Organizations Present:

**Department of Agriculture & Forestry (DAF)**

Gus Rowland, Member

**Department of Culture, Recreation & Tourism (CRT)**

Rachel Watson, Member

**Department of Education (LDE)**

Reynaldo Valldejuli, Designee

**Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)**

John Sheehan, Member

**Department of Justice (DOJ)**

Ryan Seidemann, Member

**Department of Natural Resources (DNR)**

Alvin McDonald, Member

**Department of Transportation & Development (DOTD)**

Darryl Mack, Member

**Department of Wildlife & Fisheries (DWF)**

Brad Mooney, Member

**Louisiana Assessor's Association (LAA)**

Louis Hebert, Designee

**Louisiana Association of Planning and Development Districts (LPDD)**

Lynn Dupont, Member

**Louisiana Municipal Association (LMA)**

Warren Kron, Member

**Louisiana National Emergency Number Association (LANENA)**

Kathrine Cargo, Member

**Louisiana Secretary of State (SOS)**

Fran Harvey, Member

**Louisiana Senate (Senate)**

David Gisclair, Designee

**Police Jury Association (PJA)**

Collin Degueurce,

**U.S. Geological Survey (USGS)**

Chris Cretini, Member

### Others Present:

**Acadiana Planning Commission (APC)**

Phillip Breaux

**Applied Geographic**

Matt Hiland

## Department of Transportation & Development (DOTD)

Jason Carr

### 3. Approval of Minutes

On motion of Brad Mooney (DWF) and second of Warren Kron (LMA), the January 2020 regular meeting minutes were approved without changes following a unanimous vote. On motion of Lynn Dupont (LPDD) and second of Darryl Mack (DOTD), the February 2020 regular meeting minutes were approved without changes following a unanimous vote. On motion of John Sheehan (DEQ) and second of Lynn Dupont (LPDD), the January 2020 digital data committee meeting minutes were approved without changes following a unanimous vote.

### 4. Chair's Report:

Chair Kathrine Cargo (LANENA) reported that her role at work has changed, but that she does not anticipate that this change will impact her role on the Council. Ms. Cargo (LANENA) also thanked the members and public for participating in the meeting in the new video format. Ms. Cargo (LANENA) observed that she was surprised about the lack of requests for GIS data related to the COVID pandemic.

### 5. Presentation:

In lieu of a presentation, an informal discussion was had among the members and public regarding COVID response from a GIS perspective. Brad Mooney (DWF), Kathrine Cargo (LANENA), Darryl Mack (DOTD), Chris Cretini (USGS), Collin Degueurce (PJA), Lynn Dupont (LPDD), Ryan Seidemann (DOJ), Warren Kron (LMA), John Sheehan (DEQ), Philip Breaux (APC), Fran Harvey (SOS), Gus Rowland (DAF), and Rey Valldejuli (LDE) participated in this discussion, with general reviews of personal experiences.

### 6. Old Business:

Warren Kron (LMA) discussed his desire to continue the digital data committee meetings during the COVID pandemic via video meetings. Ryan Seidemann (DOJ) and Rachel Watson (CRT) participated in this discussion for logistical assistance. Collin Degueurce (PJA) inquired about the ESRI call during February. Mr. Kron (LMA) noted that ESRI believes that we are doing a good job of putting together data schemas. Lynn Dupont (LPDD) also participated in this discussion.

### 7. New Business:

Kathrine Cargo (LANENA) stated that the GIS Pro meeting is still scheduled for Baltimore in the fall. Ryan Seidemann (DOJ) reviewed the existing rules for remote meetings under the current gubernatorial proclamations. David Gisclair (Senate) noted the need to revisit the LSDI document and Lynn Dupont (LPDD) participated in this discussion.

**8. Next Meeting** – 1:30 PM on Thursday, May 21, 2020, via video meeting pending authorization for the continuation of such meetings by the Governor.

**10. Adjourn** – Ryan Seidemann (DOJ) moved to adjourn with a second by David Gisclair (Senate). The vote was unanimous and the meeting ended at 3:00 PM.