

MINUTES

State GIS Council Meeting

The State GIS Council met Friday, April 2, 2004 at the Oklahoma Water Resources Board Conference Room, in Oklahoma City, OK. Council Chair Mike Sharp called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m. He stated this was a regularly scheduled meeting in compliance with the Open Meeting Law, Title 25 O.S. Sections 301-314. The agenda for this meeting was posted at the front entrance of the meeting room as well as the front entrance to the building. Following the pledge of allegiance, the Council members introduced themselves along with those in the audience. It was determined that a quorum was present.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mike Sharp, OK Conservation Commission
David Wheelock, OK Dept of Agriculture
Mary Banken, OU Geo Information Systems
David Pruitt, Department of Environmental Quality

Mike Sexton, OK Dept of Commerce
Jann Hook, OK Water Resources Board
Troy Frazier, OK Tax Commission
Bruce Battles, State Geographer

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Office of State Finance
OK Corporation Commission
OK Geological Survey
OK Dept of Wildlife Conservation

Regional Universities of Oklahoma
OK State University
OK Dept of Transportation

OTHERS PRESENT:

CM Lin, SWODA
David Lowther, SCI
Dan Hough, OK Biological Survey
Leroy Tackett, ODOT
Mike Sughru, OWRB
Ray Fox, USGS
Clifford Montgomery, City of Broken Arrow

Ray Hardy, OHOR
Putnam Reiter, OEM
Carlie Lawson, CSA
Kate Burch, Topographic Mapping
Charles Brady, City of Ardmore
Kevin Koon, Devon Energy
Eric Jones, SCI

4. Approval of March 5th Meeting Minutes

Jann Hook made a motion to accept the minutes. Mary Banken seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Discussion and possible action concerning the GIS Council's role in providing information to the Governor and Legislature including, but not limited to, the present structure and funding of the Council and the role it should play in state government

Mike Sharp informed the Council members HB 1877 did not make it out of the Senate committee and is now dead. The bill passed out of the House on March 10, 2004 and was assigned to the Appropriations Committee of the Senate. The author of bill, Senator Price, thought it had been assigned to the Natural Resource Committee. However, it was never assigned and was not heard during the committee meeting. HB 2457, the original bill, which contained language concerning the Conservation Commission and Risk Management, was heard during the Committee meeting. Senator Price, when discussing HB 2457, indicated that he would like to insert some new language into HB 2457, the GIS language. The bill was then sent to a Conference Committee, which is where the original author, Representative Clay Pope, hoped to get the bill originally. Changes to the language can now be made so that all parties involved in the process can be satisfied. Mike Thralls, Executive

Director of the Oklahoma Conservation Commission, discussed in more detail the process that the bill went through and where it will go from this point. Mr. Thralls stated that he would like to have a committee made up of Council members to work on new language that all the agencies can agree upon for HB 2457. The Council members and Mike Thralls held discussion about the committee and the timeframe for creating this new language.

6. GIS Discussion / Data Issues

The new NRCS digital orthophotography will hopefully be released soon. There is also a planned 2004 flight for new orthos, which is scheduled to be 2-meter resolution. Mike Sharp stated that the Conservation Commission would be working with NRCS through a partnership agreement to try and acquire the 2003 orthophotography and make it available through Geo Information Systems. Eric Jones from Strategic Consulting International offered to donate funds to the state to help obtain the statewide 2003 DOQs.

7. New Business

No new business.

8. Announcements

The MAGIC Conference will be held on April 18 – 25 in Kansas City. For more information, please contact Mary Banken.

SCAUG Conference will be held April 3-8 in Dallas, Texas. For more information, please contact Mike Sughru.

11. Next Council Meeting

The next Council meeting will be held Friday, May 7 at 9:30 am in the Conference Room at the Oklahoma Water Resources Board building.

12. Adjourn

The motion was made to adjourn and seconded. The meeting adjourned at 10:15 am.