

MINUTES

State GIS Council Meeting

The State GIS Council met Friday, February 6, 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
Mike Houts, Department of Environmental Quality
David Wheelock, OK Dept of Agriculture
Mary Banken, OU Geo Information Systems
Julianne Hoagland, OK Dept of Wildlife Conservation
Steve Stadler, State Geographer

Jane Weber, OK Geological Survey
Jeff Spelman, OK Tax Commission
Mike Sexton, OK Dept of Commerce
Mike Sughru, OK Water Resources Board
Mark Gregory, OK State University

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Office of State Finance
OK Corporation Commission

Greg Plumb, ECU
Tim Callahan, OK Dept of Transportation

OTHERS PRESENT:

Peggy Stoller, ACOG
Bob Springer, SCI
Michael Larson, OSU
Melissa Baldwin, ACOG
Eric Jones, SCI
Sohail Hasanjee, ODOC
David Hough, OK Biological Survey
Stacy Cejka, COEDD
Stacia Canaday, ESRI

Joyce Green, City of Norman
James McHendry, ACOG
John Bos, OSDH
CM Lin, SWODA
David Lowther, SCI
Ray Hardy, OHOR
Putnam Reiker, OEM
JB Akin, DESC, Inc
Mary Bailey, MTM Solutions

4. Approval of January 9th Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Mike Houts and seconded by Jane Weber to approve the minutes of the January 9th Council meeting. 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 discussed how the legislation dealing with the Council has moved ahead. The legislation was put together and delivered to the House of Representatives. The American Planning Association model legislation served as the blueprint for the legislation that Mike presented to the House staff. Mike discussed the bill (HB 2457) with the Council members. A language modification was discussed for page 4 section F item 3. The proposed addition would be to insert the word non-governmental in between any and manner. This would address the concern of any governmental employee or university being excluded from the Council or contract opportunities. Mike Thralls discussed with the group the process the bill will go through and the opportunities for changes. He also discussed what

the Council would need to do in order to get HB 2457 passed. Sections of the bill were discussed among the members of the Council as well as the audience members. Jeff Spelman made a motion that the Council recognizes that their general position in regards to the current legislation or any other is that they are in support of a legislative changes to the Council that will broaden its membership, and enhance its role as a coordinating agency. However, this will not be a new agency that will have broad authority of all the GIS programs within the state, only a coordinating function with limited authority to adopt standards. Mark Gregory seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. The motion passed.

Mike Sharp welcomed Dr. Steve Stadler to the Council as the new state geographer. He also stated the he had placed a copy of the letter that he had written to the governor thanking him for appointing a new state geographer.

6. GIS Discussion / Data Issues

No discussion

7. New Business

Jeff Spelman expressed his appreciation to Bob Springer for all of his work on the GIS Council. Jeff made a motion that the Council recognizes the past service of Bob Springer, his enthusiasm, dedication and assistance in the early stages of the GIS Council. Mike Houts seconded the motion. The motion passed.

8. Announcements

The 10th Annual GIS Day at the Capitol will be held on March 3rd inside the fourth floor rotunda of the Capitol.

The MAGIC Conference will be held on April 18 – 25 in Kansas City. The MAGIC Committee is looking for people to serve on panels. They are also looking for poster presentations. If you are interested, please contact Mary Banken.

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

Stacia Cannady announced that ESRI will be opening a training center in Oklahoma City. The first training course will be offered May 10-14.

11. Next Council Meeting

The next Council meeting will be held Friday, March 5th 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 11:00 am.