

MINUTES

State Geographic Information Council Meeting

The State Geographic Information Council met Friday, April 3, 2026 in Oklahoma Board of Regents, 655 Research Parkway Oklahoma City, OK 73111. The meeting was also made available for general attendance through an online meeting connection. Mike Sharp called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. The agenda for the meeting was sent out to the GI Community through the OK GIS List serve as well as the OK GI Council Contact Database. The OK GIS List Serve currently includes approximately 600 GIS professionals while the OK GIS Council Contact Database includes approximately 200. Mike Sharp stated this was a regular scheduled meeting held in accordance with the Open Meeting Law, Title 25, Oklahoma Statutes, Sections 301. 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
Daniela Spade, Center for Spatial Analysis
Kristen Gillman, OK Dept of Wildlife Conservation
Scott Roberson, OWRB
Larry Stein, OK County Assessor
Neil Fotheringham, ODOT
Zackary Legarda, OK Dept of Homeland Security

Charles Brady III, City of Ardmore
Michael Larson, OK State University
Chris Mask, ODAFF
Colin Brooks, OK Corporation Commission
Matt Wormus, OK DEQ
Steve Oliver, OK Tax Commission
Mike Sexton, OK Dept of Commerce

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Regional Universities of Oklahoma
OK Geological Survey

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OTHERS PRESENT:

Jack Dimpsey
Scott White
David Wheelock
Deip Nguyen
Leah Nash
TJ Hathcock
Katilin Ashworth
Matthew Armor

Amanda Conner
Eric Howard
Wendie Sharp
Michelle Fischer
Barbara Gibson
Michael Couch
Zac Canahan
Richard Bhattarai

4. Approval of February Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Larry Stein and seconded by Charles Brady III to approve the minutes of the February GI Council meeting. The motion passed unanimously. Motion carried.

5. Committee Reports

- a. Legislative Workgroup Report
 - a. Mike Sharp updated the Council members on the pieces of Legislation that the workshop is tracking this session.
- b. Discussion and possible action on recommendations from the Legislative Workgroup
 - a. A motion was made by Larry Stein and seconded by Zackary Legarda to pass the legislative workgroup recommendation on to the Legislative Liaison, Trey Lam. The motion passed unanimously. Motion carried.

6. Presentation:

Integrating GIS into Emergency Response Workflows at Oklahoma DEQ
Matthew Wormus, OK Department of Environmental Quality

7. Open GIS Discussion / Data Issues

Mike Sharp discussed the USDA aerial photography that is now available on OKMAPS. The photos are scanned images of flights taken from 1955 to 1990.

8. New Business

None

9. Announcements

SCAUG events: www.scaug.org

MAGIC events: www.magicgis.org

10. Next Council Meeting

The next regular meeting of the State GI Council will be held in May 1, 2026 at 10:30 a.m.

11. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 11:45 am.