

Information Technology Resource Management Council (ITRMC)
Idaho Geospatial Council – Executive Committee

Meeting Minutes: June 20, 2013

(Approved August 15, 2013)

The June 20, 2013 meeting of the Idaho Geospatial Council – Executive Committee was held at 9:30 in Room B35 of the LBJ Building, Boise, Idaho.

ATTENDANCE

Members/Alternate(s) Present:

Anne Kawalec, Chair, Ada County Assessor's Office
Keith Weber, ISU GIS Center
Pam Bond, Idaho Fish & Game
Bill Farnsworth, Office of the CIO
Wilma Robertson, Idaho Tax Commission
Brian Liberty, Idaho Power
Frank Roberts, Innovate (Phone)
Bonnie Moore, City of Rexburg (Phone)
David Yarnell, Bonner County (Phone)
Nathan Price, Bureau of Land Management (Phone)
Gail Eckwright, INSIDE Idaho (Phone)
Laurie Ames, Nez Perce Tribe (Phone)
Donna Phillips, City of Hayden (Phone)

Others Present:

Wendy Bates, Idaho Transportation Dept. (phone)
Sally Brevick, Office of the CIO
Jack Clark, Ada County Assessor's Office
Jim Hetherington, Boise City
Kelly Hulse, Idaho Power (phone)
Joe Johns, Kootenai County Assessor's Office (phone)
Bob Jones, Civil Construction and Mining Group
Paul Reyes, Office of the CIO
Margie Wilkins, Dept. of Water Resources
Unknown, Idaho Supreme Court (phone)

WELCOME

Anne Kawalec (Chair) welcomed everyone, and introductions were made.

MINUTES

MOTION: Bill Farnsworth moved and Keith Weber seconded a motion to approve the April 18, 2013 minutes; the motion passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Nathan Price has announced that he will be resigning from the IGC-EC, Mr Price was thanked for serving on the committee and suggestions were sought for possible candidates to fill this federal position.

DEFINING "AUTHORITATIVE DATA LAYER"

Anne Kawalec referred the committee to a definition used by the Community Maps Program as well as an article in the February 2009 *Fair and Equitable* edition, "Authority and Authoritative Data: Clarification of Terms and Concepts". A universal definition is still needed, a draft guideline was shared which included a methodology for putting a definition in place. This will be discussed further at the next meeting.

IDAHO CODE DEFINITION OF LAND SURVEYING – TASK FORCE UPDATE

Keith Weber reported that a task force had been assembled, as directed during the April meeting. Mr Weber shared task force recommendations concerning the proposed wording of Title 54. The timeframe ISPLS (Idaho Society of Professional Land Surveyors) had been working against has slowed and changes will not be presented to the legislature this year. Bob Jones expressed appreciation for the open dialog and said he would convey the comments to the ISPLS Board. The IGC-EC task force will wait to hear from the ISPLS before further review.

TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP (TWG) UPDATES

IMAGERY: Margie Wilkins advised that Montana and Washington were scheduled to be flown and it was hoped that Idaho would be as well, though this was not yet confirmed. The TWG meets again in August and more will be known at that time.

GOVERNMENT BOUNDARIES: Joe Johns reported that the TWG had restarted and had met the previous day. There were several boundary issues generating discussion and the TWG would be establishing a vision and developing a data standard. Future meetings to be held the third Wednesday of every month.

PARCELS: Wilma Robertson reported that the TWG had reviewed their vision statement a shortened version will be posted online following the July meeting. The TWG will revisit the Parcel Data Exchange Standard in July and consider the need to include exempt land within the parcel layer. There is an August assessors' conference in Kellog where this will be raised for discussion.

BROADBAND PROJECT

Paul Reyes presented on the Mobile Broadband Validation Project, which seeks to map coverage of mobile wireless providers in the state. Crowd sourcing is being used to validate the data collected from mobile providers. Owners of smart phones are encouraged to volunteer as it will benefit the public to have dead zones documented so that service coverage can be improved.

LinkIDAHO is collaborating with MobilePulse which measures GPS location and strength of signal. Data is aggregated on a secure site and the privacy of volunteers is paramount. No personal information is collected, there is no agency tracking (for state employee volunteers), and there is no advertising. The project will last for a year but volunteers can opt out at any time.

PARCELS PROJECT

Bill Farnsworth is encouraging the participation of more counties, and is working with Access Idaho to prepare the beta website for testing from July 1. One agency has signed an agreement for government-to-government sharing but there is interest from others. There are also five federal agencies looking at the agreement.

ARCGIS ONLINE PILOT PROJECT

There are more than 50 users now and the pilot project will be ending in October. The concern that this project will override existing software is felt to be unfounded.

OTHER BUSINESS

Bill Farnsworth reported on the National information sharing consortium in Canada being led by Oregon, to develop an agreement between states to enabling sharing of GIS data. Mr Farnsworth is working to put this in place for Idaho but stressed that it does not enforce sharing, it is merely a mechanism by which to do so and there is no exchange of money.

NEXT MEETING

The meeting adjourned at 11:30; the next meeting is scheduled for August 15, 2013.

Respectfully submitted,



Sally Brevick, Office of the CIO