

WV Association of Geospatial Professionals

Membership Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date – February 5, 2008

Call to Order: A membership meeting of the WV Association of Geospatial Professionals was held at the Columbia Gas Transmission building, Charleston, WV, on February 5, 2008. The meeting was called to order at 10:10 a.m. by Kurt Donaldson, President. The secretary, Chandra Inglis-Smith, was present.

Attendance: Over 30 members of the association attended the meeting (see Appendix A).

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of 11 September 2007 were approved as distributed.

Report of Officers/Board Members: President Kurt Donaldson reported on the meeting with the WV State Legislature's Joint Committee on Technology in December of 2007. The notice of the meeting appeared in the legislature newspaper. He also reported on the status of the NAIP 1-meter imagery and its availability on the USDA Clearinghouse. Treasurer Katherine Paybins reported on the current finances of the association.

Reports for Committees: Rick Lawson, Conference Committee Chair, reported on the status of the conference. The committee is currently looking for keynote speaker recommendations.

Unfinished Business: Hussein Elkhansa, WV DOT GIS Section Head, spoke about the current process of developing a statewide CORS system and his desire for it to be open source.

New Business: (1) USGS Geospatial Liaison report. (2) Presentations about GIS Strategic Planning Process, GIS Governance, State Trail Plan, Linear Referencing, GPS Applications with Rail Industry, Emergency Incident Response GIS, Status in Mapping for Public Water and Wastewater Infrastructure, and Public Utility GIS Data and Applications. (3) Break-out session of constituency groups (see Appendix B). The USGS report and presentations are available on the WVAGP website.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Next Meeting: June 9th annual meeting in Charleston, WV.



Secretary: Chandra Inglis-Smith
WV Association of Geospatial Professionals

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Date of Approval

Appendix A: Meeting Attendance

Name	Organization
Bell, Taryn A.	West Virginia Geologic and Economic Survey
Bentley, Joe	NiSource Gas Storage and Transmission
Clapham, Sarah	State of West Virginia
Crosswell, Peter	Crosswell-Schulte IT Consultants
Dailey, Pete	Marshall University
Donaldson, Kurt	West Virginia University
Elkhansa, Hussein	WV Department of Transportation
Evans, Larry	WV Department of Environmental Protection
Grow, York D	Earth Vector System, LLC
Inglis-Smith, Chandra	Marshall University
Koontz, Tami	WV State Historic Preservation Office
Kuhn, Kevin	West Virginia University
LaFone, Frank	West Virginia University
Lawson, Rick	ESRI
Lettrell, Adan	Thrasher Engineering
Lewis, Baker	
Litteral, Theresa	Marshall University
Meadows, Eric	Thrasher Engineering
Moore, Susan	Anderson & Associates, Inc.
Neidig, Craig	U.S. Geological Survey
Paybins, Katherine	U.S. Geological Survey
Rohrer, Debra	NiSource Gas Storage and Transmission
Scott, Melissa	Greenbrier County Commission
Seppi, Joe	Woolpert, Inc.
Shaffer, Robert	Wood County Assessor's Office
Sobonya, Michael	L. Robert Kimball & Associates, Inc.
Starcher, Jennings	WV Department of Health and Human Resources
Stephens, Jeffrey	GeoSAM
Taylor, William Shane	Cabell-Huntington Health Department
White, Larry	FEMA Region III
Wolfe, Jamie	Marshall University
Yalniz, Brandie	WV Department of Transportation
Yoo, Sang	Marshall University
Young, Stephanie	Marshall University

Appendix B: Constituency Group recommendations for improving statewide GIS coordination

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

Establish a quarterly map modernization conference call

STATE GOVERNMENT

Improve communications among agencies

Better understand the mission of each agency

REGIONAL/LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS

Improve water/sewer utility mapping

Identify more geospatial resources from the public/private sectors to assist counties

PRIVATE SECTOR

Publish statewide data standards and metadata (documentation about available GIS data)

EDUCATION AND RESEARCH

Publish an annual GIS Training Catalog

Support students financially through WVAGP funded projects and initiatives

Manage call for papers/programs at annual conference

Oversee a student volunteer work program at annual conferences

Coordinate GIS Day activities in State

Promulgate a GIS Day proclamation by the Governor