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Maine Library of Geographic Information Board Meeting
Wednesday, 12 December 2015,
10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon

Maine Public Utilities Commission, Second Street, Ballard Room, Hallowell

Attending	Present	On the Phone
<i>Mtg. commenced at 10:01 am</i>		
Vinton Valentine		X
Alina Taus	Absent	
Jake Metzler		X
Vern Maxfield	Absent	
Bill Hanson	X	
Maria Jacques	X	
Nate Kane	Term Expired	X
Brian Guerrette	X	
Patrick Cunningham	Absent	
Paul Sandlin	Absent	
Kenneth Murchison		X
Jon Giles	X	
Aaron Weston	X	
David Edson		X
Staff:		
Joseph Young	X	
Guests:		
Mal Carey	X	
Dan Walters, USGS	X	

1. Roll Call of Members

- a. Motion to approve the minutes of September 16, 2015 made by: Maria Jacques Seconded by: Aaron Weston

Voted: Yea – 7 Nay – 0 Abst. – 2

2. Executive Director Report - Joe Young

- a. Membership Update

- i. Maria, Alina and Betsy have been appointed to terms beginning 10/27/2015
 - ii. Nate Kane's application is still in process.
 - b. GIS Visioning Session
 - i. The Board's consensus was to participate in a conference with Esri representatives as part of the states GIS Visioning project and asked for it to take place at the next board meeting.
 - c. Annual Report to Legislature
 - i. A draft report was circulated with the agenda and board members asked to review and comment. A lot more work is needed to fine complete but the rough outline and context was included. The Board asked Joe to set up a meeting with the Committee's once the Report is finalized and delivered.
 - d. Project Reports
 - i. RFP for LiDAR Acquisition Services
 - Proposals are being reviewed and a contractor should be chosen by the next meeting.
 - ii. 2016 LiDAR Acquisition
 - We are still waiting for USGS approval.
 - iii. 2015 Imagery Acquisition Status
 - Participating communities so far are Skowhegan, Carrabassett Valley and Fairfield, Ogunquit and Wells.
 - iv. 2017 – 2022 Orthoimagery Plan
 - Joe reported that he has still not been able to meet with county commissioners due to other demands on his time but is still hopeful that during the next few months he will be able to accomplish this and determine the counties level of interest in participating in the 2017-2022 program. The Board asked Joe to determine how many organized communities have not been flown yet with at least 24" resolution imagery. The Board asked for a map showing the communities that have not been flown yet.
- 3. Strategic Plan Workgroup Reports
 - a. Coordination & Communication –
 - i. Joe reported that he had met with a representative of the Trio Software (now Harris) system and they seemed interested in offering the GeoLibrary template for parcel data and Land Use codes as part of their product offering. Also the MMA Convention went well many communities stop by to say how valuable the imagery program has been to their communities.
 - ii. Met with State assessors at their meeting in Portland which went well nearly all seemed receptive to the program and some expressed that the cost of participation in for their community was paid for by the additional tax revenue identified and savings in staff time.
 - iii. Jon indicated that it was time to get the parcel committee together to discuss changes to the parcel standard for data base features.
 - b. Education & Training – Cathleen McAnneny, PhD- Vinton Valentine, PhD
 - i. Vinton provided an update on activities including the MeGUG Lightening talks, NEAR Conference, Mappy Hour held as part of the GIS Day activities in Portland and NEURISA. He also announced the MeGUG GIS and Education conference to take place in Freeport on February 5th. A call for presentations has been put out. Some of the University people attended a GeoDevelopment Meet Up in Portland, sponsored by ESRI, to see what activities were generally taking place in the region. The

University is doing a survey and looking for feedback from GIS stakeholders particularly from industry on what types of educational classes are needed.

- ii. A discussion of MeGUG fall conference and some recommended that the conference be moved around the state to encourage participation.
- c. Geospatial Data – Dan Walters/Joe Young
 - i. The 2015 LiDAR acquisition has been completed and the data should be delivered by mid- 2016.
 - ii. The 2015 imagery processing has been completed and just waiting until we can find space on our servers for hosting.
 - iii. NOAA is planning an update to its Land Cover data set in the 2016 federal fiscal year and has offered Maine an opportunity to purchase 1 meter resolution for an additional estimated cost of \$300,000. This would be very helpful for agencies and communities needing better impervious surface and other data. Agency staff understand the importance of having better resolution data and but management still doesn't understand the importance of it yet. Maine has until the end of 2016 to determine if it can develop a source of funding for this effort. Joe is to ask if LiDAR data can be used for matching funds.
4. Committee Reports
 - a. Finance Committee – Jon Giles
 - i. Jon provided an update of the finance committee's last meeting. It reviewed a proposed budget for MeGIS that shows the value of GeoLibrary support provided in maintaining the data catalog, managing Board projects (imagery, LiDAR, Parcel data acquisition etc.) and support for meetings and other activities. Finance committee to meet in early January to finalize a budget for the Board to include in its annual report. Mal emphasized the need for having the geospatial data available to communities and small commercial firms such as architects and engineers in doing work for clients.
 - b. Technical Committee – No Report
 - c. Policy Committee – Bill and Vinton
 - i. Bill provided a document reviewing policy issues and needed legislative changes. He propose d that he, Vinton, OIT's legislative liaison and any other interested board member get together to determine what changes should be pursued. Some of the policies are now outdated with references to a portal that was never developed. Joe to assist in setting up a meeting.
5. Guest Comments - none
6. Recommendations for next meeting agenda
 - a. Election of Chairman
 - b. Review of Annual Report
 - c. GIS Envisioning Session
 - d. Membership Updates
 - e. Schedule of Board Meetings
7. Adjourned at 11:45AM