

Arkansas Geographic Information Systems Board

Arkansas Real Estate Commission
612 South Summit Street
Little Rock, AR

Meeting Minutes

March 2, 2011

10:00 a.m.

Board Members Present:

Judge Clayton Castleman
Dr. Margaret McMillan
Jon Sweeney
John Ed Isbell
Dr. Jack Cothren
Dr. Robert Kissell
Clarie Bailey by Proxy Hershel Cleveland
Glen Dabney by Proxy James Hartshorn
Tracy Moy
Randy Everett

Board Members Absent:

Judge Jerry Hunton
Kasey Summerville
Bekki White

AGIO Staff:

Shelby Johnson, Director
Rachel Hood
Adrian Clark

Guests:

Richie Pierce
Lee Ann Kizzar

Call meeting to order

10:06 a.m.: Meeting called to order by Chair Tracy Moy

The Chair called for any corrections to the minutes for the Dec. 1, 2010 meeting. No corrections were noted.

Motion: Jon Sweeney motioned to approve the corrected minutes.

Second: Judge Clayton Castleman seconded the motion to approve the minutes, and there being no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

Chair Tracy Moy announced that the AGIO report would be e-mailed to board members in order to give more time to the discussion of SB311.

New Business

Election of 2011 GIS Board Chair and Vice-Chair

Chair Tracy Moy opened the floor for nominations for Board Chairperson.

Nomination by: Dr. Robert Kissell for Tracy Moy

Seconded by: John Ed Isbell

There being no further nominations, John Ed Isbell motioned for nominations to cease. Jack Cothren seconded the motion.

The Chair called for any discussion or comments. The board thanked Tracy for a job well done. With no further discussion the chair called for a vote.

Unanimous vote in favor of: Tracy Moy for Chair

Chair Tracy Moy opened the floor for nominations for Board Vice-Chairperson.

Dr. Margaret McMillan offered to serve in the position.

Seconded by: Vice Chair Randy Everett

Motion to cease nominations by: Judge Clayton Castleman

Seconded by: Jon Sweeney

There being no further discussion, the chair called for a vote.

Unanimous vote in favor of: Beth McMillan for Vice-Chair

Adoption of Board Travel Expense Reimbursement – 25-16-902

After a brief explanation, the Chair called for a motion to approve adoption of 2011 Board Travel Expenses.

Motion by: John Ed Isbell

Seconded by: Robert Kissell

There was no discussion.

The vote was unanimous.

There was a lengthy discussion and overview of SB311. AGIO Director Shelby Johnson passed out background material and maps, and explained the bill and the timeline in which the board would need to work in order to prepare criteria for the grant if the bill becomes law. Shelby explained the mechanism for funding, and pointed out that the state funding cycle and the local funding cycle are not synchronized. However, this should not present a problem because state funds can be rolled over into coming years.

Jon Sweeney offered a list of criteria that he thought appropriate and asked if the board could think about it and get back at a later date.

The Chair agreed and the board determined that a sub-committee would be an appropriate means to explore the issues, to create the grant criteria and will communicate recommendations back to the board as a whole. The Chair asked that the board submit comments and thoughts by e-mail to her and Shelby no later than Wednesday, March 9.

Board members asked if the sub-committee that worked on last year's parcel grant program would consider overseeing this process. Those sub-committee members who were present agreed to do so.

Sub-committee members are Tracy Moy, Randy Everett, Margaret McMillan, Bekki White and additionally, Jon Sweeney has offered to assist. They will work on the process and have a draft ready for the June 1 board meeting. If adopted, the emergency clause in SB311 would allow it to be executed starting July 1, 2011.

The Chair announced that if needed, there would be a special board meeting called in April with that date to be announced.

The Chair presented one informational item. The Arkansas GIS Users Forum Symposium will be in August 2011. The Forum executive committee has agreed to allow a no-cost workshop to be taught in order to reach out to local government and provide a training opportunity. The pre-registration process will include an opportunity for participants to apply for a free conference registration.

There being no further business, the Chair called for a motion to adjourn.

Motion by: Randy Everett moved to adjourn.

Seconded by: Margaret McMillan seconded the motion.

The Chair called the vote. With all ayes, the meeting adjourned at **11:45 a.m.**

Next regular meeting date is 10 a.m. June 1, 2011, at the Jonesboro Fire Station # 3 in Jonesboro, AR.

Minutes prepared by:
Tracy Moy

Minutes Approved: April 20, 2011