# Arkansas Geographic Information Systems Board (GISB)

University of Arkansas at Monticello School of Forest Resources Monticello, AR

# **Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, June 13, 2012 10:00AM – Noon

#### **Board Members Present:**

Ms. Tracy Moy (Chair)

Dr. Margaret "Beth" McMillan (Vice-Chair)

Judge Clayton Castleman

Ms. Claire Bailey by Proxy Mr. Herschel Cleveland

Dr. Jackson Cothren by Proxy Mr. Brian Culpepper

Mr. Glen Dabney by Proxy Mr. James Hartshorn

Mr. Randy Everett by Proxy Mr. Time McCloud

Dr. Robert Kissell

Ms. Kasey Summerville

Mr. Jon Sweeney

## **Board Members Absent:**

Judge Preston Scroggin

Mr. John Ed Isbell

Ms. Bekki White

## Guests:

Mr. Scott Lane- Arkansas Game and Fish Commission

Mr. Scott Alsbrook- AR GIS Users Forum

Mr. Bill Sneed- United States Geological Survey

Dr. Philip Tappe- Dean of UAM School of Forest Resources

## AGIO Staff:

Mr. Shelby Johnson, Arkansas Geographic Information Officer

Mr. Adrian Clark

Mr. Tony Davis

## Call Meeting to Order:

# 10:08 a.m. Meeting called to order by Chair Tracy Moy

The Chair welcomed everyone to Monticello and introduced Dr. Philip Tappe, the Dean of School of Forest Resources. Dr. Tappe gave a welcome and brief description of the Programs and Degrees offered at UAM, new SFR faculty, and the new facilities. Dr. Tappe answered some questions regarding the program and

stated that he would be available after lunch to give a tour of the new facilities. The Chair then called for any corrections to the March 2012 minutes.

Approval of the March 3, 2012 Minutes

Motion to accept the minutes as written: Judge Castleman

Second: Dr. Kissell

No discussion; Unanimously Approved

#### **Old Business**

AGIO Report- Shelby Johnson discussed the first item on the agenda, AGIO Report. Mr. Johnson reported that the AGIO had recently undergone another Legislative Audit; the second Audit in as many years for the agency. Mr. Johnson stated that there were no reportable findings, but there was a high level recommendation that the AGIO update their Inventory Logging procedures. The Chair asked if the board procedures were corrected since the previous Legislative Audit and Mr. Johnson stated that the board procedures were now in compliance. Mr. Johnson then proceeded to update the board on the URISA/NENA Addressing Conference that will be held this summer in Memphis, TN. The AGIO will be offering scholarships to sponsor several county 911 addressing officials to attend the conference and take one workshop. Mr. Johnson stated with the coming conversion to NextGen 911, GIS will play an essential role and addressing officials need to be educated in the use of GIS data and its integration into NextGen 911.

Mr. Adrian Clark then gave a quick update/ presentation regarding the status and future of the Addressing Project (known as AMAP- Arkansas Master Addressing Program). Mr. Clark explained that there are currently over one million addresses currently in the state GIS database, explained the AGIO's coordination with local addressing officials, informed the board that the AGIO has met with several state agencies to discuss the future use of the data, and explained training activities that the AGIO will be providing to entities across the state. The AGIO plans on offering GIS Training Courses at the ACIC Training center for local addressing authorities and the AGIO is now teaching a one hour session at the Arkansas Law Enforcement Training Center (ALETA) Telecommunicator Course. Discussion followed regarding the AGIO possibly purchasing ArcGIS Online for Organizations for state and local agencies.

Mr. Johnson then gave a quick update on the status of the Parcel Mapping Grant. Lonoke and Izard have been delivered and the AGIO is in the process of running it through the QC scripts. Mr. Johnson then stated that the AGIO is waiting until FY13 (July 1) to begin the process of getting Round 2 Parcel Grant started. He then stated that the past quarter the AGIO activity has

been very busy going to various statewide meetings such as the Rural Development Conference and the County Judges Conference. The AGIO demonstrated using GeoStor data on Smartphones to the County Judges where it was well received.

#### **New Business**

Geospatial Data Recommended for loading on GeoStor- Mr. Johnson gave an overview of three data layers that the AGIO recommends for loading onto GeoStor. 1) School Board Zones- Arkansas Secretary of State; 2) Telephone Exchange Boundaries- Arkansas Public Service Commission, and; 3) General Land Office Georeferenced Plats- Commissioner of State Lands. Each layer meets agency priorities 1, 2, 4, and 5 and received the recommendation from AGIO staff for loading into GeoStor. Dr. Kissell then gave a quick description of the status and work regarding UAM georeferencing the GLO's and states that over half of the state is complete and is expected to have statewide coverage before the next board meeting in September. Discussion followed regarding if the data was going to be placed in GeoStor for "Clip and Ship", which Mr. Johnson stated it would be available on GeoStor.

Motion: Mr. Jon Sweeney motioned for the approval for loading all three

layers onto GeoStor.

Second: Ms. Kasey Summerville

No discussion; Unanimously Approved

<u>USGS Liaison Report-</u> Mr. Bill Sneed gave a report on certain programs of interest to the board currently in progress at the USGS. Mr. Sneed gave a brief description and update on the National Enhanced Elevation Assessment (NEEA). The results of the assessment were that the USGS would like to have Level 2 (.7 meter) LiDAR for 49 States and Level 5 LiDAR for Alaska captured on an eight year cycle based on priorities and funding. Mr. Sneed then gave an update on the LandSat Program stating that LandSat 8 will be launched in January 2013.

AR GIS Users Forum Report- Mr. Scott Alsbrook, Chair of the AR GIS Users Forum, gave a brief overview and update of the Forum. Mr. Alsbrook stated that the Forum recently approved a new charter and By-Laws and that the next meeting will be September 9-13, 2013 in Eureka Springs. Discussion then followed on the Forum's recent push to help regional Users Forums and

possible support in funding training opportunities for Forum Members. Mr. Johnson mentioned to the Board and Guests present that the AGIO/ GISB was born out of discussions of the Users Forum twenty years ago. Mr. Alsbrook stated that the last two symposiums were well attended with 279 members present in 2011 and 280 in 2009.

Motion: Ms. Kasey Summerville motioned for Adjournment

Second: Dr. Beth McMillan

Adjourned at 12:15PM

Lunch and Tour of UAM-SFR Facilities followed

Minutes Adopted 12-5-12

Ms. Tracy Moy, Chair (Signature)