

Maine GIS Users Group
Minutes of Directors Meeting

Date: November 13, 2007

Location: USGS, 196 Whitten Rd, Augusta, Maine

1. Call to Order: 10:40am
2. Roll Call: Present - Mike White, Chairman, Dan Walters, Vice Chairman, Steve Harmon, Treasurer, Greg Copeland, Secretary, Ken Murchison, At-large (phone), Claire Kiedrowski, At-large, Aimee, Dubois, At-large, Vinton Valentine, At-large, Cindy Pellett, At-large (phone.) Absent – None.
3. Agenda Changes: Agenda for meeting is to set the agenda for the coming year.
4. Adoption of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting: No minutes.
5. Reports of Officers:
 - a. Chairman (Mike White) – No report.
 - b. Vice Chair (Dan Walters) – No report.
 - c. Treasurer (Steve Harmon) – No report.
 - d. Secretary (Greg Copeland) – No report.
 - e. Education Coordinator (vacant) – No report.
6. Report of Committees:
 - a. Nominating Committee (Mike White) – No report.
 - b. Standing Committees
 - i. Sponsorship Committee (Mike White) – No report.
 - ii. Program Committee (Dan Walters) – No report.
 - iii. Publicity Committee (Greg Copeland) – No report.
 - iv. Membership Committee (Steve Harmon) – No report.
 - c. Special Committees – none at this time.
7. Unfinished Business: No unfinished business.
8. New Business:
 - a. Scheduling of meetings for the coming year.
 - i. Schedule for other organizations in 2008:
 1. NEGIS – 1st or 2nd week in May. Usually in Boxboro or Danvers, MA.
 2. NEARC- Spring – May, Fall 9/21-24 Hyannis, MA.
 3. MMA – Tech conference – March, Fall meeting October.
 4. ESRI UC – 8/3-8 San Diego. Dan to call about other event dates and times.
 5. MSLS – Late January, The Samoset, Rockport, ME.
 6. GITA – Late October.
 7. URISA – National Conference 10/7-10, New Orleans, LA.
 8. GIS Day – Mid November.
 - ii. January Municipal Meeting. Discussion centered on whether the group should abandon the January municipal meeting and pursues teaming up with the MMA for their March technology conference. Board agrees to abandon January meeting. Greg to call MMA and make arraignments for a combined conference.
 - iii. Fall 2008 meeting. Fall meeting to be held in Presque Isle at UMPI. Ken to contact Chunzeng Wang at UMPI to develop conference schedule and plan event. Dates in late October were originally discussed but September 26th was finally settled on.

- iv. Local roundtables: Mike brought up local roundtable discussions to be sponsored by the group. Aimee stated that she had been doing this informally with friends in the Portland area. Mike will plan for a roundtable in the Mid-Coast area around January 16th. Amy will work with Steve and Vinton to plan one for Southern Maine in Late January. Locations for future roundtables were also discussed.
- v. Summer business meeting. The board decided to hold a full membership business meeting in June. This meeting will be held on either the 5th or the 12th and will be a business meeting only. Mike will look for a site and available date for the meeting. One possibility would be to have the meeting in the Brunswick area and may include dinner. Cost of the dinner to be paid by attendee.
- b. Mike and Cindy will meet to discuss maintenance to the group website.
- c. ASPRS, the American Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing, will be holding a meeting on Monday, December 3rd at Delorme Mapping. Claire will be speaking on emerging technologies. All are welcome. Claire will forward information regarding this meeting.
- d. Greg said he will be delivering Sari's plaque to her this afternoon after the board meeting.
- e. The board has agreed to have plaques or other honorarium made for Matt Bampton and Jim Thomas. Mike and Claire will be looking into this.
- f. Conference attendee lists. A request was made by an attendee of the October conference for a list of the attendees. The board agreed that giving a list of that includes the attendee's name, company and email address would be alright. The person requesting this information must agree not to use the list to spam the attendees.
- g. Greg asked how many members we had. Steve will try to get this information for the next board meeting.
- h. Items to add to next month's board meeting:
 - i. Committee to review and recommend changes to the by-laws.
 - ii. Discontinuation of newsletter.
- 9. Set date of next board meeting: December 18, 2007 10:00am – conference call. Board to next meet in person on February 20, 2008, 2:00pm, USGS, 196 Whitten Road, August (Same day as Geolibary Board meeting to save travel for those who attend both.) January and February meeting dates and times to be determined at the prior monthly meeting.
- 10. Adjournment: unanimous consent – 12:15pm

Respectfully submitted,
Gregory J. Copeland, PLS
Secretary, Maine GIS Users Group