

07/16/2002 Quarterly Meeting

Quarterly meeting

Minutes of IGIC Quarterly Meeting July 16, 2002

Board Members Attending:

Artz, Joe Bishop, Todd Brase, Terry Brockmann, Cory Cooper, Steve Cutler, Brad Cutler, Micah Fautz, Sharon (Alt for Tom Ricker) Havel, Rick Kane, Kevin Kapp, Bill Kuehne, Herb Kula, Andy Patocka, Roger Popp, Deanne Schumann, Bill

Others in Attendance Jensen, Alan; State GIS Coordinator

Berquam, Barb Chizek, Wayne Corrigan, Pete Diggins, Chris Flack, Wes Huisman, Daryl Jakobson, Robin Kula, Susan Ruff, Mary Todey, Dennis Tollerud, Mitch Willigsen, Jay

ON-GOING BUSINESS Bill Kapp opened the meeting at 10:05 AM and took roll call of all on line at the time. He then announced that quarterly meetings for the coming year would take place on the 2nd Tuesdays of the appropriate months: October 15, 2002; January 14, 2003; April 15, 2003; and July 15, 2003.

Kevin Kane spoke about electoral representatives and indicated that during the coming year, representatives will be asked to fulfill the three duties listed in the by-laws (1) attend meetings in person or through an alternative; (2) serve on IGIC standing committees, (3) coordinate with your sector groups. Additionally, sectoral representatives will be urged to sit on at least one application committee.

Bill Kapp announced conducted elections of officers for the coming year. Terry Brase volunteered to continue on as Treasurer; and Herb Kuehne volunteered to stay on as Secretary. Kevin Kane has offered to serve as one-year Chair. And no one has volunteered or offered yet to serve as Vice-Chair. Election of the three who offered to serve was held. All three were unanimously voted to serve. Election of the Vice-Chair would be done in October.

Bill Kapp passed the Chair's gavel (figuratively) to new Chair, Kevin Kane, who then conducted the rest of the meeting.

Volunteers were invited to serve on the next Conference committee. The next Conference would be held from June 30 to July 2, 2003. The following volunteered to serve: Kane, Brockman, Artz, Kapp, Havel, the Cutlers, Schumann, Fautz, Berquam, Popp, and the Kulas.

Alan Jensen, the State Coordinator of IGIC, presented a report about four general topics: 1) meetings and events that he has attended on behalf of IGIC; 2) funding issues, especially regarding the DOQQ project as well as funding issues regarding the State Coordinator's position (Ia.St.Extension may have to cut back); 3) other ongoing issues; 4) Plans for workshops, especially on remote sensing, on the web page, and on the newsletter that will be now available in a PDF format to save \$\$ from printing.

COMMITTEE REPORTS followed: 1. Todd Bishop described the how the Remote Sensing Committee, that has arranged for the state wide DOQQ's has raised \$1,100,000 but still needs to find \$250,000 more. 34 partners have collaborated so far, with about 50% State agencies; 25% Federal agencies; and 25% local or private agencies.

1. Andy Kula described activities of the Weather Climate and Environment Committee. Meetings

would occur semi-annually. Mesonet is being supported. The U. of Iowa is working on a project to map storm. The committee wants to help DNR update its coverages. The committee is working with the State Archaeologist (Artz). Other interests are being developed from delineating watersheds to working on homeland security. An open forum for brainstorming will take place at the next committee meeting, and a website and a listserver will eventually be established.

There were no reports from any other committees, although members occasionally noted how one or other committee needs to get reactivated. Mica Cutler noted that she and Ray Willis had discussed forming a cadastral committee and Bill Schumann thought that a Centerline committee might be a good idea, too.

Bill Kapp reported on the process of incorporating IGIC as a non-profit organization. The process has been slowed, but final drafts of all pertinent documents will be forthcoming soon.

Someone asked whether there was a current membership list available through the IGIC homepage. Answer: No, but eventually.

NEW BUSINESS Micah Cutler and Wayne Chizek announced an upcoming GIS cadastral workshop to be held at the Marshall Jail facility. 25+ people are already attending. Interested parties should call Wayne at 641-754-6338 or email him at wchizek@co.marshall.ia.us. Wayne also noted that the discussion about accessing individual county data is being discussed by the County? The group is trying to organize a group of counties to inventory their data and plan how to disseminate it.

Wes Flack described the Census Bureau's intent and timetable for aligning TIGER files with more accurate county geo-positional data throughout the country. He listed numerous benefits that might be realized when county data and TIGER files would match. Interested parties should contact Wes at 816-801-2010 or email him at John.W.Flack@census.gov. The hope is that by 2008, all county data and all TIGER files will match.

After a lunch break, John Diamond of Dialogic described "The Communicator" software that uses GIS techniques to telephone emergency-related data quickly and automatically to populations that need to hear the information. Interested parties can obtain a free video about the software by calling 1-800-723-3201 ext 3978 or 770-439-9748.

The meeting adjourned at 1:30 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Herb Kuehne, Secretary