

2023 Officers

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COUNTY GIS PROFESSIONALS ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES July 10, 2023, 1:30 PM

Attendees: See Attached.

I. Welcome & Introductions

- a. Minutes from June meeting approved.

II. Association Business:

a. Finance/Treasurer's (Tim):

- i. Surplus Funds
 - Training
 - Purchasing content that can be used by the members (SQL training, scripting, frontend development, etc.), looking to see if CCAP tech training partners offer training
 - Supporting conferences that we feel are important
 - ESRI has the ability to charge per room instead of per student and they offer discounts for non-profits
 - Looking at how we can leverage colleges and ESRI
 - Still looking to procure the ESRI reports from their user conference (had issues with downloading last year, looking at different download options this year)
 - Doing a pre-conference workshop during the PA GIS Conference

b. Membership (Seth):

i. Board update

1. PA GIS Pro VP Birch stepping down due to taking a new role. Need a new VP for the rest of the current term. Nominations can be submitted to any board member.

ii. Contact List Update

- 66 counties have responded to the survey
- Information will be used for contacts and for access to the pros website
- Changes to the contacts should be shared so the website can be updated
- Tatiana (Erie) asked about other local government organizations and their ability to join the Pros. Something the Pro are interesting in exploring. Cherie shared the when the Pro started, it was to address County specific unique issues. Sean felt there is a need for separation between the entities. Would require a bylaws change. Many other local organizations use outside contractors and their is concerns from Jason (Carbon) and that relationship. Laura shared this has been discussed in the past, instead of adding them to the Pro, but developing relationship with other local gov organization to make a connection. Concern about where do we stop if the Pros let one group into the Pro, want to be careful of who we are and why the group was created.
- The majority of the participating counties have a relation or working partnership with the Pros
- Seth asked counties to send other local contacts to himself and Kim contact information for a communication and outreach for the entities that would like to participate
- Looking to create a working group that would be tasked to look at what a relationship with local entities could possibly look like. A board member would be appointed chair with the volunteer members. Looking at what data or collaboration are they interested in.
- The possibility of a local GIS collaboration List serve was suggested, suggested this be part of the working group as a suggestion to explore. The board to look at the interest and decide if a working group will be formed.

c. NG911 GIS Pros Subcommittee (Seth):

- April 19 - western and central aerial imagery was completed and in QA currently,
- PEMA is updating a couple of their plans and best practices documents.
- September PEMA conference

- i. NENA
 - Nothing from Barry at this time, Sean

a. Geoboard (Seth):

- Met last month
- PEMA imagery data contract with PEMA ends this year
- Made a plug to share data, and the upcoming joint taskforces meeting that is looking at data sharing
- Planning a meta data workshop in the fall
- Looking at GeoBoard reauthorization in 2024
- *Ask Laura for a written update if possible*

b. Legislation (Mike):

- Gave an update on the state budget, pending the Senate .
- 911 reauthorization efforts continue.
- CCAP is watching a number of bills on information technology and cybersecurity collaboration.

c. Land Records:

- No update at this time
- Roadmap ahead was discussed during the meeting last week.

d. Training:

- Visioning workshops for GIS Board - Starting today, another session during the NW GIS Conference if not before.

e. SURE Modernization:

- Waiting to hear something back from DOS.
- SURE Mod will not happen before the Nov election, but maybe before the primary, dates are TBD pending the resolution of the gap analysis items

f. Open Discussion/Other Items:

- Kara has been updating the website and registration, suggestions to Seth and Kara
- Survey coming soon.
- Adding the local gov questions and data collect to the surveys.