

Idaho Geospatial Council – Executive Committee

Subcommittee of the Idaho Technology Authority (ITA)

Meeting Minutes: January 16, 2020

(Approved March 19, 2020)

The January 16, 2020 meeting of the Idaho Geospatial Council – Executive Committee (IGC-EC) was held at 9:30 am (Mountain) in the East Conference Room, Joe R. Williams (JRW) Building, 700 W. State St., Boise, Idaho.

ATTENDANCE

Members/Alternate(s) Present:

Wilma Robertson, Dept. of Water Resources (*CHAIR*)
Robert Smith, Governor’s Office of IT Services
Sydney Lewis, Transportation Department
Shane Lim, Suez Water
Craig Campbell, Digline, Inc.
Bruce Godfrey, U of I (phone)
Betty Conces, Kootenai County (phone)
Cyndi Andersen, Bannock County (phone)
Kelly Green, Blaine County (phone)
Keith Weber, ISU GIS Center (phone)
Stewart Ward, Dioptra Geomatics (phone)

Members Absent:

John Koudelka, INL representative
Jerry Korol, NRCS
Pam Bond, City of Boise
Laurie Ames, Nez Perce Tribe
Tom Carlson, USGS

Others Present:

Erin Seaman, Governor’s Office of IT Services
Michelle Santurro, Governor’s Office of IT Services
Greg Zickau, Governor’s Office of IT Services
Angie Schmidt, Dept. of Fish & Game
Saul Teska, Governor’s Office of IT Services (phone)
Ben Archer, Planet (phone)
Heather Studley, Bannock County (phone)
Josh Enterkine, Boise State University (phone)
Karen LaMotte, Commission for Libraries (phone)
Becky Rose, Office of Emergency Mgmt. (phone)
Matthew Syphus, LHTAC (phone)
Bill Reynolds, Nez Perce Tribe (phone)

WELCOME

Chair Robertson welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 9:32 am (Mountain).

MINUTES

MOTION: Mr. Campbell moved, and Mr. Lim seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the November 13, 2019 Meeting, as presented; the motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Mr. Lim moved, and Ms. Lewis seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the November 26, 2019 Special Meeting, as presented; the motion passed unanimously.

ITA UPDATE

Chair Robertson gave an update on the most recent ITA meeting, which was held on December 4, 2019. She noted that the revisions to ITA Policy P5030 (Framework Standards Development) were approved. Approved ITA meeting minutes can be found at: <https://ita.idaho.gov/the-ita/#meetings>

IT MODERNIZATION UPDATE

Mr. Zickau gave a brief overview of phase 1 of the Governor’s IT modernization initiative. He noted that the premise behind the initiative is for the state to operate more efficiently, and gain some cost savings over time, while establishing better security practices across the board. He briefly discussed the agency infrastructure that has been consolidated to date.

Mr. Zickau discussed several of the positions being considered for inclusion in phase 2 of the initiative, and the possible hiring timeline. One of the positions would be a chief data officer (CDO), which would have some geospatial responsibilities, and they are hoping to attract a candidate with some executive

experience. With regard to the CDO position, Mr. Zickau noted that there are some challenges with the limitations of the current geospatial job classification structure. He added that of the proposed phase 2 agencies, some have geospatial positions that will remain in their agencies. In those cases, there was no advantage to moving those positions.

In terms of functionality, phase 2 would also expand out to include regional support and grow application development.

STATEWIDE HIGH-RESOLUTION IMAGERY COLLABORATION

Mr. Archer, Pacific Northwest representative for Planet, gave an overview of their global daily imagery services and briefly discussed some of the ways government agencies are currently using their services. He noted that their services integrate with Esri. Mr. Archer will be giving a technical presentation on their services to the Imagery TWG in February.

GIO UPDATE

Mr. Smith reported on the renewal of the Esri contracts, which are expected to be done by the end of the month. He briefly explained the difference between Esri's academic licenses and licensing for state agencies. He also announced that Esri is planning a one-day mini conference in Idaho sometime in the spring. This event will be free and open to anyone interested in attending.

In other news, Mr. Smith announced that the NAIP imagery has been purchased. Delivery is anticipated as early as the end of the month.

TWG UPDATES

TRANSPORTATION – Ms. Lewis reported that she is planning a Transportation TWG meeting for March. She expects to have a list of prioritized applications and additional information on ITD's portal available for the March meeting, which will be held at the Transportation Department headquarters in Boise. Once the meeting has been scheduled, information will be posted on the GIS website at: <https://gis.idaho.gov/>. A WebEx will be available.

OTHER BUSINESS

2020 IGC-EC ELECTION – Chair Robertson announced the upcoming IGC-EC election. Half of the elected seats are up for election each year, with elected members serving staggered two-year terms. Terms begin on April 1 and end on March 31. Ms. Seaman will send out a call for nominations to the IGC and Geotech listservs, along with information about the election. Results will be announced during the March IGC-EC meeting. Chair Robertson noted that Mr. Campbell is retiring, so she encouraged interested individuals from the private sector to consider running for that seat.

ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING

The meeting adjourned at 10:39 am. The next meeting was scheduled for March 19, 2020.



Erin Seaman, Governor's Office of IT Services (ITS)