

MINUTES

MID SHORE REGIONAL COUNCIL
GIS COMMITTEE MEETING
Wednesday, April 20, 2011
Talbot County Emergency Management
Operations Center
605 Port Street
Easton MD 21601
9:00 a.m.

Introductions

Scott Warner called the GIS Committee meeting to order at 9:10 a.m., the following members were present: Scott Shores, Joseph Miller, Marshall Stevenson, Jim Cannistra, Mike Moulds, Mark Deao, Mark Cohoon, Megan DelGaudio, Sam Stanton, Bill Kastning, Lauren McDermott, Michael Scott, Erin Silva, Ryan Mello, Scott Warner

County reports on progress, challenges and needs

Caroline County has a new GIS manager, Joe Miller, who is trying to get GIS up and running without interrupting what is already working. ESRGC offered any assistance with institutional memory. Joe Miller also requested a list of contacts for the Region.

City of Cambridge reported that they are concentrating on GIS implementation in the City and currently have two Arc licenses.

Jim Cannistra from Maryland Department of Planning reports that the Western Shore aerial acquisition is completed. They are 6 inch digital orthophotos with many areas collected at 3 inch resolution. All four bands were captured. Several islands in the MidShore bought up to 3 inch imagery including Hoopers, Barren, Poplar, and Janes. State is meeting with CGIS at Towson to discuss putting 2010 imagery up on iMap. Parcel boundaries for 2011 will be up on iMap within next few weeks and will be updated on a 6-9 month cycle. Anything that counties can do to validate the account IDs would be helpful. MDP is working to move from CAD to polygons and points for parcels. MDP is receiving data from county, reviewing it, correcting it, and will publish it. Talbot and Caroline will be available by end of May. Dorchester will be available later in the year. Polygons, points, and annotation will be delivered to counties in geodatabases. Queen Anne's and Western Shore are slated for next year. Question about subscription to Maryland Property View was raised. Queen Anne's and Talbot County agreed that the easier it is for consumers to get the data, the better.

Dorchester County reported that with the help of an intern, the sign inventory project has been completed.

Bill Kastning reported that Town of Denton is working on its Comprehensive Plan. Town has a need for an intern to help with mapping storm water.

Mark Cohoon reported for Talbot County. Delmarva Task Force has been assembled. Mark Cohoon and Megan DelGaudio (Queen Anne's County) Chair the emergency task force. The GIS working group will support emergency communication and coordination using GIS. Critical Area Mapping is moving forward, zoning and critical areas have been fused. Regarding the 2010 Eastern Shore aerial imagery, the MrSID mosaics delivered by Axis Geospatial are not working in the EMS software. The County plans to reject the deliverable.

In Queen Anne's County, Megan DelGaudio is the new acting IT Chief. Sam Stanton reported that the County is using digital tax maps to line up zoning and the County is waiting for Critical Area mapping updates to arrive.

Announcements

Pictometry is available as a buy-up option as part of the state-wide orthophotography acquisition. Michael Scott said that the key to selling Pictometry may be the promotion of implementation of it at the dispatch level. The ESRGC has purchased a Pictometry license. Marshall Stevenson suggested that the ROI can be seen when we are able to get the imagery into the local assessor's hands.

Michael Scott is the new MSGIC Chair. Some things he will be working on during his tenure include, evaluating the GIS certification offered by ESRI and making MSGIC an official, legal organization.

Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

Next Meeting to be held October 26th from 9- 11:30 a.m., 605 Port Street, Easton, MD