

Geospatial Advisory Council

3/15/16

Building 7A, Harriman State Office Building



In attendance:

Alex Chaucer
Doug Freehafer
Austin Fisher
Eric Herman
Jeff Herter
Bill Johnson
David Jorgensen
Sheri Norton
Matthew Owen
Frank Winters
Jeff Quackenbush
Michael Naughton
Ann Deakin
Todd Nelson
Julie Tolar
Jonathon Mayr
David Richardson
Dick Johnston

Members Absent:

Colin Reilly

Via Phone:

Laura Feitner Calarco
Mike Ross

10:35 – Meeting **called to order**. Eric Herman reviewed the agenda

Welcome New Members/Introductions

Review minutes from the December meeting: Motion made and carried to approve the minutes

Chair Report on Follow-up Items

Eric Herman provided some quick updates on sector representation, then led the group in formally recognizing Bill Johnson's contributions to the state and the discipline, as he retires from his career with NYS and position as the State's GIO.

Executive Director Report

Bill Johnson led a discussion of initiatives at the state which will empower GIS growth in every sector. He provided presentation highlighting the many great activities are going on, and noted the importance of working to promote the value of these activities.

GPO Director Report

Frank Winters gave an update of activities in the GIS Program Office including the *ShareGIS* initiative and staffing of the Core Services Team, the statewide parcel initiative, licensed content on the NYS Streets data, orthoimagery. Conversation followed about **broadcasting the parcel information to the listserv**, and the federal LiDAR data program.

Associate Organization & Work Group Reports

NYS GIS Association:

Julie Tolar asked the Council's opinion regarding when the Association Past President term should begin. It was agreed that Association representative terms should coincide with those of other representatives.

Julie provided an Association update including a discussion of the NYGeoCon and the upcoming GIS Summit in October.

Funded by a grant from the Fund for the City of New York, the Association conducted interviews of GIS Stakeholders. A summary of the survey and a [video](#) showing excerpts from the interviews will be coming soon. Next year, the Association would like to focus on survey legislation.

NYS GIS State Agency Advisory Group:

Eric Herman announced that the next advisory group meeting will be on 5/3/16. There had not been any state agency meetings since the last time the Council met.

Follow-ups on Select Topics Planning Session

The Council discussed several topics including publicizing successes, parcel data coordination, and imagery. We decided to dedicate the afternoon session of our next meeting to elevation data. Frank will invite appropriate people from the GIS Program Office to the discussion in June.

Roundtable Topics from Sectors

The group went around the room, and had good discussions about a large variety of topics that each member felt was relevant to their sector. Various items will be addressed in the future, as appropriate.

Adjourn (Next meeting dates 6/14, 9/14, 12/13)

A motion to adjourn was passed.