DRAFT MINUTES OF THE
MISSISSIPPI COORDINATING COUNCIL FOR
REMOTE SENSING AND GEOGRAPHIC
INFORMATION SYSTEMS
August 20, 2019, 1:30 pm at ITS

PRESENT
Mike Cresap, Chairman, Mississippi Department of Transportation
Jim Steil, Vice-Chairman, Institutions of Higher Learning
Gary Leblanc, Mississippi Department of Information Technology Services
David Dockery, Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality
Steve Gray, Mississippi Association of Supervisors
Bill Cheney, Mississippi Secretary of State
John Helms, Mississippi Development Authority
Chuck Carr, Central Mississippi Planning and Development District
Dr. Brian Mitchell, Mississippi Forestry Commission
Thomas Brewer, Mississippi Emergency Management Agency
Richard Tolbert, Mississippi Association of Professional Surveyors

ABSENT
Shari Veazey, Mississippi Municipal League
Talbot Brooks, Delta State University
Michael Wright, Mississippi Board of Registered Professional Geologists
Jeff Mullins, Mississippi Tax Assessors and Collectors Association
Unnamed, Senator, Mississippi State Senate
Scott Delano, Representative, Mississippi House of Representatives
Gene McGee, Mayor, City of Ridgeland

Mike Cresap called the meeting to order and declared there was a quorum.

Agenda Item II:

- A motion to approve the minutes from May 21 Council Meeting was made and seconded. The vote approved the May 21 Meeting Minutes.
- An error in the June 18 minutes was brought to the attention of the council where Mr David Weems was listed as the attendee representing the Secretary of State. Mr. Bill Cheney attended for the Secretary of Statewas the A motion to approve the minutes from June 18 Council Meeting with changes was made and seconded. The vote approved the June 18 Meeting Minutes.
- The MDEM and Flood Map activities update was handed out for review.

Agenda Item III. Jim Steil gave an update on the Clearinghouse activities. The agreement between ITS and MARIS is moving forward. Maris has delivered a document to ITS and they are reviewing it now. The GIS council will be responsible for directing the website and how data is presented. The main goal will be to bring all the websites under one website instead of many different websites.

Agenda Item IV. John Cartwright, GRI – Mississippi State University, gave a training update. GRI has been working on a course catalog. They have developed 2 courses - Migrating to ArcGis Pro and Intro to ArcGis Pro. John invited everyone to sit in on migration training on August 29th. Two one day classes for Intro to ArcGis Pro will be held on September 17th and 18th at ITS. The class will have 10-12 seats both days. GRI is also updating old courses that have been given previously; this includes the Python course. John is in contact with the Center for Education. He would like for the courses to be packaged together to create a certificate for GIS from MSU. This could be a Linkdin badge for GIS. Qgis certificate will be different from the ArcGis Pro certificate.

Agenda Item V. Scott Trapolino, Canopy Spatial, gave a NG911 update. The governor issued an Executive Order to establish a 911 coordinator. A meeting was recently held by the 911 council to review a draft document to establish addressing standards for counties. During the upcoming MS 911 Association Conference Scott plans on polling the locals to see if they're ready for the new 911 systems. One of the main issues is locals don't have money to spend on required upgrades. Scott plans on talking about this at MAST to see if it meets all needs from the group.

Jim Steil – The 911 council meeting was held to show the 911 personnel the draft addressing standards document. The goal is to allow them to suggest changes and the document going forward.

Scott Trapolino- He is working with more than 10 counties helping them identify their needs. Addresses are different in each county. Giving a standard guideline that all the state can get on board with would be ideal. Scott explained the Addressing Standards Document is a combination of documents from multiple states. All standards are based on the nationally accepted NENA standards. NENA is widely accepted as the best. One Goal for this process would be to have a case study for each dispatch center completed 1 year from now.

Jim steil – Jim reminded everyone that the old technology is not being supported. So, the new technology in NG911 is needed. We also need to take into mind we have to worry about cyber security. Other meetings in other municipalties are pending.

Agenda Item VI. Preston White, MEMA presented a GEOFORUM update. The VM has been created and is accessible from MARIS. Next step will be to establish external access.

Agenda Item VII. OTHER BUSINESS

-Jim Steil, MAST Conference Oct 3rd and 4th at USM Gulfport Campus. $75 registration.

-Mike Cresap, Proposed a change in the meeting cycle. Mike proposed meeting every other month instead of every month. The next meeting would be tentatively held on Oct 15th. It was suggested during off months one on one meetings with council members could be held to discuss GIS activities and technical issues. One goal for the change would be providing a more complete agenda. The meeting change was accepted by the group.

Adjorned. At 1:56.