



**Meeting Summary**

**Membership and Vice Chair Nominations-** Several memberships will be up this year – 2 at large members and 2 – NACO representatives. Membership nominations are going to be forwarded to the NITC Commission. A Vice Chair was selected for 2018.

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**STRATEGIC INITIATIVE ACTION ITEMS**

The council discussed on if any of the actions items related to the GIS Strategic Initiatives within the Statewide Technology Plan

**AGENCY UPDATE-** Participating Agencies on the Council provide updates to activities they are working on.

**Motions**

Motions Carried:

- The August 8, 2017 minutes were approved.
- Strategic Initiatives and action items to submit to NITC Commission as “continue as is” was approved

Motions Failed:

There were no motions that failed.

**I. Roll Call and Quorum**

**Members Present:** \* *Authorized to Vote*

<p><b>* MEMBERS PRESENT:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Sudhir Ponnappan, Nebraska Game &amp; Parks, Vice Chair</li> <li>* Tim Cielocha, Public Power Districts</li> <li>* Justin Wolff, Department of Roads</li> <li>* Steve Rathje, Department of Natural Resources</li> <li>* Milda Vaitkus, Alt. for Doug Hallam, Conservation and Survey Division, UNL</li> <li>* Lesli Rawlings, NE Geospatial Professional Association</li> <li>* Karis Bowen, DHHS</li> <li>* Chad Boshart, NEMA/Military Dept.</li> <li>* Lash Chaffin, League of Nebraska Municipalities</li> <li>* Eric Herbert, Omaha Metro Area</li> <li>* Chuck Wingert, Natural Resources Districts</li> <li>* Kea Morovitz, Public Service Commission</li> <li>* Jeff McReynolds, Lincoln Metro Area</li> <li>* Gary Morrison, Dept. of Environmental Quality</li> <li>* Michael Schonlau, Member at Large</li> <li>* Casey Dunn, Legislative Research Office</li> <li>* Jim Langtry, USGS</li> <li>* Todd Whitfield, At-Large Representative</li> </ul>	<p><b>MEMBERS ABSENT:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Jon Kraai, Nebraska State Patrol, Chair</li> <li>John Beran, State Surveyor</li> <li>Todd Wiltgen, NACO</li> <li>Pat Larson, Member at Large</li> <li>Erin Northwall, Governor’s Policy Research Office</li> <li>Jim Ohmberger, Office of the CIO</li> <li>Barb Oswald, Property Tax Administrator</li> <li>Mike Preston, Geospatial Professional Association</li> <li>Kim Wessels, NACO</li> </ul>
<b>NITC Representatives:</b>	John Watermolen, GIS Council Coordinator and Lori Lopez Urdiales, CIO/NITC
<b>Public Visitors:</b>	Les Biven, Fuaro Aeospatial; Rob Christian, BTSD-DOT;; Joe Heieck, GIS Workshop; Lou Anne Daugherty, BTSD-DOT; Ryan Kroemer, NRCS; Steven Case, State Records Board; and Michael Munson, DOT

**I-III. General Meeting Formalities (continued)**

<b>Roll Call and Quorum</b>	The Vice Chair Sudhir Ponnappan, called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m. Roll call was taken. There were 17 members present at the time of roll call. A quorum was present to conduct official business.
<b>Introduction of Audience Attendees</b>	Public visitors were welcomed and were asked to introduce themselves if they wished. Visitors who wished to identify themselves as attending the meeting were to sign the visitor log and their name and affiliation would be reported in the minutes.
<b>Public Meetings Regulations and Posting of the Same</b>	The meeting notice posted on the <a href="#">Nebraska Public Meeting Calendar</a> on January 4, 2017 and agenda posted on GIS Council website October 20, 2017
<b>Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting</b>	<b>Mr. Rathje moved to approve the June 13, 2017 minutes as presented. Ms. Dunn seconded. Roll call vote: Ponnappan-Yes, Cielocha-Yes, Wolff-Yes, Rathje-Yes, Vaitkus-Abstained, Rawlings-Yes, Bowen-Yes, Wingert-Abstained, Boshart-Abstained, Herbert-Yes, Morovitz-Yes, McReynolds-Yes, Morrison-Yes, Schonlau-Abstained, Dunn-Yes, Langtry-Yes, and Whitfield-Yes. Results: Yes-13, No-0, Abstained-4. Motion carried.</b>

**IV-V. MEMBERSHIP and VICE CHAIR NOMINATION**

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<p>The nominating committee received five nominees for five openings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Federal Liaison was re-nominated.</li> <li>• Two At-Large nominees: Michael Preston and Mike Schonlau</li> <li>• Two NACO nominees: Dan Pittman, Sarpy County and Jennifer Meyers from Merrick County</li> </ul> <p><b>Ms. Vaitkus moved to approve the membership nominations as presented. Mr. Chaffin seconded. Roll call vote: Ponnappan-Yes, Cielocha-Yes, Wolff-Yes, Rathje-Yes, Vaitkus-Yes, Rawlings-Yes, Bowen-Yes, Wingert-Yes, Chaffin-Yes, Boshart-Yes, Herbert-Yes, Morovitz-Yes,</b></p>
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**McReynolds-Yes, Morrison-Yes, Schonlau-Yes, Dunn-Yes, Langtry-Yes, and Whitfield-Yes. Results: Yes-18, No-0, Abstained-0. Motion carried.**

Members were asked to send nominations for Vice Chair. No nominations were received. Casey Dunn volunteered to serve as the 2018 Co-chair. By acclamations, Casey Dunn, will serve as the 2018 GIS Co-Chair.

## VI-VIII. REPORTS

### DISCUSSION REPORT FROM MAGIC CLEARINGHOUSE SUMMIT

The 2017 MAGIC Clearinghouse Summit was held on August 22nd-24th in North Utica, Illinois. Mr. Watermolen, Claire Inbody and Jeff Timm attended. There were lots of informational sessions ranging from census, ESRI and how states are coming along with their efforts. The ESRI staff complimented Nebraska on having the best presentation as a story map. Other states are dealing with the issues of stewardships, budget cuts, and staffing needs. Some states are using cloud technology for storage of imagery and data. Questions were entertained.

### REPORT ABOUT CENSUS 2020 ACTIVITIES AND LUCA

Another topic of discussion at the MAGIC Summit was LUCA (Local Update of Census Addresses) and the role GIS will play. GIS will be more heavily involved with this census than in the past. There is a tight timeline and lots of different silos of information. In an attempt to not have to get out in the fields, the plan is to have data entry done via their website. Hopefully, by 2019 GIS data in their system will have been verified and checked in order to have it available for the full census for 2020. The census will need to be a collaborative effort with cities and counties. The census is going to do their best to count everyone including those at college, in prisons and other residential units

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## IX. STRATEGIC INITIATIVE ACTION ITEMS

**DISCUSSION** Mr. Watermolen informed the council the every two years, the NITC reviews and approves the Statewide Technology Plan. Each of the Councils develops action items to accomplish the its Strategic Initiatives, that are included in the Statewide Technology plan. The Statewide Technology plan and the action items for the Strategic Initiatives will be an action item at the November 9<sup>th</sup> NITC meeting. Today, the Council will need to decide whether to continue their action items as is or update/revise them.

**Imagery.** Discussion occurred regarding the need to collect imagery at a cost of approximately \$2 million or to use Google imagery. The discussion was what is needed to be able to meet the needs of some agencies. If so, the question was raised as to whether they can be given an exemption to the standard. There is an exemption process in which an agency can go before the NITC Technical Panel and request a waiver. They would need to provide justification for their request. The Imagery standards and guideline can be revised through the GIS recommendation. The Council recommended to get Imagery Work Group back together for further discussion. Since the standards were approved a little over year ago, it was recommended to leave the action item "As is".

**Ms. Schonlau moved to leave the Imagery action item as is. Mr. Whitfield seconded. Roll call vote: Ponnappan-Yes, Cielocha-Yes, Wolff-Yes, Rathje-Yes, Vaitkus-Yes, Rawlings-Yes, Bowen-Yes, Wingert-Yes, Chaffin-Yes, Boshart-Yes, Herbert-Yes, Morovitz-Yes, McReynolds-Yes, Morrison-Yes, Schonlau-Yes, Dunn-Yes, Langtry-Yes, and Whitfield-Yes. Results: Yes-18, No-0, Abstained-0. Motion carried.**

**Elevation Update.** Mr. Langtry distributed a map of the coverage. Eastern Nebraska Urban areas will be updated to QL2 and hope to have data by end of the year. The focus will now be to have previous LiDAR data upgraded to QL2.

The following actions items were discussed: Elevation, Street Centerline and Address, Boundaries, Geodetic and Survey Control and NebraskaMAP. After discussion, it was recommended to leave the action items as is and for reconvene the Work Groups for further review

**Mr. McReynolds moved to leave the action items for Street Centerline and Address, Boundaries, Elevation, Geodetic and Survey Control, and Nebraska Map “as is” and to reconvene the Work Groups for further discussion and review. Ms. Dunn seconded. Roll call vote: Morovitz-Yes, McReynolds-Yes, Morrison-Yes, Schonlau-Yes, Dunn-Yes, Langtry-Yes, Whitfield-Yes, Ponnappan-Yes, Cielocha-Yes, Wolff-Yes, Rathje-Yes, Vaitkus-Yes, Rawlings-Yes, Bowen-Yes, Wingert-Yes, Chaffin-Yes, Boshart-Yes, and Herbert-Yes. Results: Yes-18, No-0, Abstained-0. Motion carried.**

**Archiving.** Mr. Watermolen posed the question to the council as to whether this issue should be addressed now or in the future. After discussion regarding the need to determine what is the state’s standard operating procedure and retention of such records, it was recommended to wait on including this as an action item. That is why it needed to be discussed.

**Mr. Shonlau moved to not include Archiving as an action item at this time and to create a Working Group to address this issue. Mr. Wingert seconded. Roll call vote: Morovitz-Yes, Wingert-Yes, Chaffin-Yes, Boshart-Yes, Herbert-Yes, McReynolds-Yes, Morrison-Yes, Schonlau-Yes, Dunn-Yes, Langtry-Yes, Whitfield-Yes, Ponnappan-Yes, Cielocha-Yes, Wolff-Yes, Rathje-Yes, Vaitkus-Yes, Rawlings-Yes, and Bowen-Yes. Results: Yes-18, No-0, Abstained-0. Motion carried.**

## X. UPDATES FROM MEMBER AGENCIES

### DISCUSSION

**Public Service Commission, Kea Morovitz.** The 911 repository has been opened up to Nebraska citizens. With the repository version 2.0 coming up, this data will be migrated to the new version. The PSC voted on the GIS policy moving forward with NG-911. She had copies of the policy if anyone was interested which included standards so data can be used across the board. The Legislature will vote on this in December.

**Department of Transportation, Justin Wolff.** Mr. Wolff has been designated as the new DOT council representative and is acclimating to the agency.

**Department of Natural Resources, Steve Rathje.** The agency’s Flood Plain Division is aggressively working on flood plain data that doesn’t meet modern standards. The agency has received grant monies for this project.

**Omaha Metro Area, Eric Herbert.** The areal Project is underway. Some of the counties participating include Douglas, Sarpy, and Lancaster. Yesterday, all the participants met to review the vendor applicants. It is hoped that the project will be doing at least 2 flights possibly 3 flights every other year. The counties will be receiving data in their particular format. The vendor decision will be done soon. Sarpy County has been exploring more uses or potential uses of drones. A few cities in the county have drones in use but the county does not.

**Clerk of the Legislature, Casey Dunn.** The Legislative session starts on the first Wednesday in January. There is a new representative for District 6. She will be meeting with counties regarding the census information.

**Member at Large, Mike Schonlau.** Douglas County/City of Omaha is implementing ESRI’s Roads and Highways program. With the upcoming snow season close, the agency is preparing snow operations applications. GIS maps will be used and plans are to incorporate live integration. At a future meeting, Mr. Shonlau would like to provide a demonstration of the ESRI operations dashboard.

	<p><b>Nebraska Emergency Management Agency, Chad Boshart.</b> The agency was held a nuclear plant exercises and dam break simulation. Next week, Mr. Boshart will be in Colorado participating in an urban search and rescue.</p> <p><b>GIS Professional Association, Leslie Rawlings.</b> Ms. Rawlings presented a two-day lecture to a social science class on how to use GIS in the classroom.</p> <p><b>City of Lincoln/Lancaster County, Jeff McReynolds.</b> In addition to the areal project Mr. Herbert mentioned, the city is going through the biennial budget development. Billings are going out to different agencies for software, hardware, and education. Lincoln/Lancaster is also looking at Roads and Highways from ESRI. The City just released its sweep street application.</p> <p><b>Nebraska Game and Parks Commission, Sudhir Ponnapan.</b> The agency is in the process of converting paper forms to electronic format.</p>
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**XI-XII. OTHER BUSINESS**

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<p><b>Dates For 2018 GIS Council Meetings.</b> By group consensus, the 2018 GIS meetings will be held on the first Wednesdays as follows in the auditorium of the Department of Transportation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wednesday, February 7, 2018</li> <li>• Wednesday, May 2, 2018</li> <li>• Wednesday, August 1, 2018 and</li> <li>• Wednesday, November 7, 2018</li> </ul> <p><b>Geography Awareness Week is November 12-18, 2017.</b> Ms. Inbody informed the Council that GIS presenters are still needed. On Wednesday, November 15th, GIS Day, there will be a state agency meeting at DOT to discuss and present and demo GIS to all state agencies. This is primarily just for state agencies and not the public. The evening of November 15<sup>th</sup>, there will be a GIS/LIS Mappy Hour starting at 5 p.m. at Longwells in the Haymarket. On November 16<sup>th</sup>, 3-5 p.m., at the Wick Alumni Center-Room 224, there will be a Story Map workshop conducted by UNL along with the OCIO. There is limited seating left and is open to the public. Members were invited to attend.</p>
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**XIII. INVITATION FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	There was no public comment.
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<b>Meeting Conclusion</b>	
<b>Adjournment</b>	<p><b>Mr. Schonlau moved to adjourn. Mr. McReynolds seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.</b></p> <p>The meeting was adjourned at 2:22 p.m.</p>
<b>Next Meeting</b>	<p>The next meeting will be February 7, 2018, 1:00-3:30 p.m. at the Department of Transportation, Lincoln Nebraska.</p>

Meeting minutes were taken by Lori Lopez Urdiales and reviewed by John Watermolen of the Office of the CIO/NITC.