**Maine Library of Geographic Information Board**

**June Regular Meeting**

**45 Commerce Drive, Augusta ME + Virtual**

**Minutes**

 **06/12/2024**

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| **Seat #** | **Attending** | **Present/Online** | **Notes** |
| 1 | Sharon Horne |  |  |
| 2 | Brian Guerrette | **X** |  |
| 4 | Nate Kane | **X** |  |
| 5 | Vinton Valentine | **X**  |  |
| 6 | Gregory Copeland | **X** |  |
| 7 | *Vacant, Statewide Association of Municipalities* |  |  |
| 8 | Leticia vanVuuren | **X** |  |
| 9 | Walter Anderson | **X** |  |
| 10 | *Vacant, Reals Estate and Development* |  |  |
| 11 | Sarah Haggerty | **X**  |  |
| 12 | *Vacant, Public Utilities* |  |  |
| 13 | Aaron Weston | **X** |  |
| 14 | Patrick Cunningham | **X**  |  |
| 15 | Mal Carey | **X** |  |
| 16 | Maria Jacques | **X** |  |
| **Staff:** |  |  |
| Jay Clark, Executive Director | **X**  |  |
| **Guests:** |  |  |
| Clarence Young |  | **MeGIS** |
| Bob Bistrais |  | **MeGIS** |
| Emily Pettit |  | **MeGIS** |
| Adam Benthem |  | **USGS** |

1. Roll Call of Members – 9:03

Present = 11 Absent = 1

1. Review of Minutes

Amendment = change April meeting date to 4/17 from 4/20

Motion by = Sarah H.

Second = Walter A.

*VOTE = (7 for, 0 opposed, 2 abstained)*

1. Director’s Report

There will be open discussion of the items in the report as they come up.

Jay gave the Director’s report.

News:

1. Vexcel will fly the rural areas of Maine next year
2. MA is proposing a multi-state 3DHP effort that will assure the boundary areas get handled appropriately. Also participating are VT, NH, CT, RI, and ME. Details are forthcoming.
3. PQVL RFP is setting up master Agreements with 10 vendors.
4. LiDAR Acquisition is pushed to fall.
5. Azure update is still pending review by security.
6. The space center is having a conference in Oct. Jay would like to exhibit there this year.
7. Jay reflected on a year of service to the Library.

Planning:

 A general discussion of Strategy and Tactics was held. A review of the Timmons Plan and the current GeoLibrary activities was given. The discussion over the need for an annual Program Plan continued and the Board voted to require the Executive Director to develop a yearly Program Plan for final approval each year by the May meeting of the Board. It was further recommended that the plan be started in March and drafts provided for discussion well prior to the May meeting.

**Motion:**

“Will the GeoLibrary Board require the Executive Director to prepare a Program Plan for each year to be approved at the May Meeting?

Motion by = Nate, K.

Second = Greg C.

*VOTE = unanimous (10 for, 0 opposed, 0 abstained)*

Jay outlined the Proposed FY25 Program Plan

1. Statewide 6” Orthophoto Coverage + 4 Band Imagery

Discussion took place regarding the imagery including how much flexibility we would have to do custom flights if needed and what the 4 Band imagery entails. This is a move to more of a licensed service. It was explained that the data had to be used on-line and that the public cannot scrape large areas for private use.

1. Buy-Ups for 3” imagery and Obliques

These items will be used for matching purposes.

1. Western Mountain LiDAR as contracted with the USGS.
2. Sew the DEM so that the overlapping areas are gone, and the best source material is used at each boundary area. Clarence explained some details about this.
3. Begin collecting Public Domain Bathymetry data. This is framed at beginning to focus on the Coast as a special region needing special data collection efforts. It is understood that this year is not funded for this area. The project will look to Public Domain data and what sources are available.
4. Parcel Project with LUPC and MRS. This is an ongoing project of the Derivative Products working group.
5. Work with NOAA on more Land Cover. This must be detailed by September 2024 for the NOAA granting period.
6. Update the GeoLibrary Web site. This is essentially 2 things, updating the “Look and Feel” + back end updated for applications that are running out of time.

**Program Plan Approval:**

Motion by = Maria, J.

Second = Greg C.

*VOTE = (10 for, 0 opposed, 0 abstained) – note Patrick was present, but not available to vote*

1. New Business – there was no new business.

**Adjournment: 10:33**

Motion by = Greg C.

Second = Maria J. 11 Y 0 N