

MINUTES

Virginia Geographic Information Network Advisory Board March 21, 2002

3rd Floor Meeting Room, Department of Information Technology
110 South 7th Street
Richmond, Virginia

Members Present:

Honorable John Watkins, Chairman
Honorable Mary Margaret Whipple
Honorable Samuel A. Nixon, Jr.
Ken Anderson
W. Page Cockrell
Rick Pevarski
Jerry Simonoff

Designee:

Murali Rao for Charles Nottingham
Jean Tingler for Mark Kilduff

Members Absent:

Honorable Watkins M. Abbit, Jr.
Honorable Beverly Sherwood
Dan Shaffer, Vice Chairman
Tom Allen
Ken Barker
William C. Cleveland
Roy Harrison

VGIN Staff:

William D. Shinar, VGIN Coordinator
Matt Blaes, VGIN Assistant Coordinator

Senator Watkins called the Virginia Geographic Information Network (VGIN) Advisory Board meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

The Draft Minutes from the February 7th 2002 board meeting were reviewed and approved. The Draft Minutes from the October 25th, 2001 board meeting were approved.

VGIN Coordinator's Report

- An overview of Virginia's GIS Day (February 13th) was presented.
- Issues surrounding House Bill 1129 (surveyors legislation) were presented and discussed.
- Virginia Base Mapping Program (VBMP) Update.
 - A general overview of the VBMP program was presented:
 - Through the VBMP, Virginia is moving towards a common foundation
 - The VBMP will include high-resolution digital orthophotography and statewide. One of the objectives of the program is to also develop a statewide and consistent street centerline and address database.
 - The Wireless E911 Board is providing funding for the VBMP (high resolution imagery).
 - Photography should become available beginning in September 2002.
 - A schedule was presented. Currently, the program is ahead of schedule. Data acquisition can potentially continue until the middle of April.
 - 80.1% of the photography has been acquired to date.
 - Radiometric color balancing is currently being worked on by a review team of local and state government allies.
 - A reference text will be compiled and distributed to assist localities with their GIS application development and implementation efforts.
 - Grid naming conventions are being reviewed.
 - A list of VBMP products was outlined.
 - Distribution options were discussed.

- The SOTECH GIS Update
 - VGIN has been working closely with the Department of Emergency Management to support their management and analysis efforts;
 - VGIN in conjunction with DEM have submitted a proposal to the U.S. Department of Commerce's Technology Opportunities Program (TOP).
- Metadata Clearinghouse Update
- VGIN Activities and Meetings
 - A report of the traffic on the VGIN website traffic was made.

BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE

The next board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 2nd, 2002 at 1:30pm

The meeting adjourned at 3:30.

LOG OF ATTENDEES

Dan Widner
Michael Vojta
Alan Voorhees