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Meeting Minutes

Thursday, February 6, 2020

2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Shoreview City Hall, 4600 Victoria Street North

Nate Zwonitzer, CRWD	Rachel Funk, CRWD
Jolinda Stapleton, Roseville	Carrie Magnuson, RWMWD
Tyler Thompson, VLAWMO	Brian Jastram, MWMO
Sam Klimoski, St. Paul	Justin Markon, Falcon Heights
Mike Mrosła, Arden Hills	Jake Garibay, Mounds View
Len Cacioppo, Gem Lake	Geoff Maas, Ramsey County
Mauricio Leon, Metropolitan Council	

1. Call to order, introductions, and brief statement on what you've been working on

- Chair Nate Zwonitzer called the meeting to order at 2:03 PM.
- Introductions
 - Nate Zwonitzer, CRWD: Working with Houston Engineering on BMP and GIS project
 - Rachel Funk, CRWD: Maps and webmaps for colleagues
 - Jolinda Stapleton, Roseville: Maps for coworkers and new asset management software
 - Carrie Magnuson, RWMWD: Yearly surveys
 - Tyler Thompson, VLAWMO: Second round of capital improvement RFP, installation of iron enhanced sand filter
 - Brian Jastram, MWMO: Modeling layers into map
 - Sam Klimoski, St. Paul: Internal map gallery, upcoming UMN GIS career fair
 - Justin Markon, Falcon Heights: New city website and ordinances
 - Mike Mrosła, Arden Hills: Taking on internal GIS hosting and cloud based EA with ESRI
 - Jake Garibay, Mounds View: Storymaps
 - Len Cacioppo, Gem Lake: Nothing to report
 - Geoff Maas, Ramsey County: Update during meeting
 - Mauricio León, Metropolitan Council: Guest presentation

2. Additions or corrections to the agenda

There were no additions/corrections to the agenda.



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3. Approval of the December 12, 2019 meeting minutes

The minutes for December 12, 2019 were approved by unanimous consent.

4. **Guest Presentation** Mauricio León, Metropolitan Council, *Metropolitan Council's Climate Change Mitigation Planning Tool for Communities*

Mauricio León gave a PowerPoint presentation on the work being done by the Metropolitan Council around mitigation for climate change. This includes collecting the area's climate statistics through an inventory (electricity, transportation, etc) and scenario planning (more bikes and fewer cars, LED light bulbs). This information will be compiled into a database and user interface.

Len Cacioppo asked about gas purchases versus vehicle miles traveled, and León said that they are focused on VMTs because this is a better measure of the source of emissions while gas purchased in one place can go elsewhere.

5. Ramsey County update (Geoff)

Geoff Maas provided a PowerPoint presentation on the updates from Ramsey County.

- 2020 Aerial Imagery Collection
 - Entire metro-area will be covered at spring leaf-off at 1 foot elevation.
 - Ramsey County will buy up to 6 inch resolution.
 - Requesting \$10,204 from RCGISUG (50% of cost)
 - **Sam Klimoski moved, Len Cacioppo seconded to spend \$10,204 on Ramsey County aerial imagery buy up; motion passed unanimously**
 - Nate Zwonitzer will provide RCGISUG letter of support
- Ramsey Unified Imagery Program
 - Internal and external (cities, watershed management units) needs assessment
 - Goals are to meet multiple needs and pool resources
 - Different types: ortho imagery, oblique imagery, street view, drone imagery
- In discussion with NearMap about needs and enhanced service
 - NearMap meeting at Ramsey County on March 3
- Metro Stormwater Geodata Project
 - Pilot study in Bloomington-Eagan area
 - Outreach materials ready end of March
 - Stakeholder review April to June and beyond
- Publication of Ramsey County plat maps
 - Download as PDFs
 - Goal by end of 2020



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6. Review and approve 2020 budget (Nate/Tyler)

Nate Zwonitzer and Tyler Thompson provided information on the proposed RCGISUG budget for 2020. \$70,000 was estimated for aerial imagery for 2020. Given Geoff Maas' presentation and a request of \$10,204, the budget will be revised accordingly.

Len Cacioppo moved, Jolinda Stapleton seconded to approve the 2020 amended budget; motion passed unanimously.

7. Discussion on 2021-23 Joint Powers Agreement (Officers)

The officers provided an update on the draft 2021-23 Joint Powers Agreement for the RCGISUG. Various changes were proposed, and the draft document will be sent to membership in the coming weeks for internal and legal review. The goal is to vote to approve the JPA at the May meeting and gather all signatures by the end of 2020.

8. **Member Presentation** Jake Garibay, Mounds View, *ArcGIS Online/Collector for Public Works*

Due to lack of timing, the presentation was moved to the May meeting.

9. Discussion on future content and meeting locations (Nate/Sam)

- Members decided to hold the May 2020 meeting at Capitol Region Watershed District, and the August 2020 meeting would tentatively be held at Ramsey Washington Metro Watershed District.
- Potential presentation topics for May included sewers (St. Paul), parcel/data workflow (Ramsey County), and Tree Trust.

10. Community Announcements

- Jolinda Stapleton noted that she participated in a beta version review of the new MapRamsey application and was curious what stage the project was in. Geoff Maas said that the project was being overseen by Jessica Fendos at Ramsey County.
- Tyler Thompson noted that the longtime Administrator of VLAWMO will be retiring soon.
- Jake Garibay noted that Mounds View is hiring for an arborist and sanitary sewer positions.



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- Sam Klimoski noted that St. Paul will soon be hiring for a GIS intern.

11. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 4:03 PM.