

**MINUTES
SAGINAW AREA GIS AUTHORITY
GENERAL MEETING
July 21, 2014
9:00 am
MSU Extension**

Members Present: Rob Grose, Chairman; Russ Taylor, Vice Chairman; Paul Moore, Treasurer; Johnathan Miller, Member; Marc McGill, Member; Tom Luck, Member; Brandon DuVall, Member; David Smigiel, Member; Gail Basner, Member; James Frelitz, Member; Phillip Kerns, Member; Richard Prezzato, Member; Mike Comstock, Member; Megan Weaver, Member; Tom Mayan, Member; Julia Darnton, Member; Larry, Fleming, Member; Bob Corrin, Member.

Others Present: Dan Hoffman and Bill Jeruski, GIS Authority.

Meeting called to order at 9:00am by Chairman Grose.

Roll Call:

Roll was taken by Vice Chairman Taylor. A quorum was present.

Approval of Agenda:

Motion by Moore with support by Frelitz to approve the Agenda.

Motion Carried.

Approval of Minutes from April 28, 2014:

Motion by McGill with support by Taylor to accept the April 28, 2014 Minutes as presented.

Motion Carried.

Accounts Payable and Review of Budget:

Moore reported that as of June 30, 2014 SAGA's Money Market account stood at \$249,772.69 and checking at \$2,801.12.

Moore reported revenues were at 100% of anticipated. Expenses were showing at 68% of expected with three months to go. Moore also reported that MCOG still had outstanding invoices with SAGA.

Motion by McGill with support to accept Budget Report as presented.

Motion Carried.

Discuss / Approve SAGA 2014/15 Budget with Membership Rate:

Grose stated the 2014/15 budget did not contain any increase in the per parcel rate which would remain at the current \$1.40 per parcel rate. He explained that the planned re-fly to take place in the Spring of 2015 is accounted for in the budget under consideration. Changes in the budget include increasing the 911 Authority membership rate from \$3,000 annually to \$30,000 annually. The Road Commission will see their membership rate lowered to \$30,000 annually. Going forward the rate for both entities will be the same, calculated as a percentage (TBD) of the current per parcel rate.

Motion by Taylor with support by Weaver to approve the budget and per parcel rate at \$1.40 as presented.

Motion Carried.

Approve E911 Authority Membership and Rate:

As stated 911 would now be paying an annual membership fee of \$30,000. This membership increase would entitle 911 to SAGA Executive Member status.

It was stated that David Meyer will be retained to draft changes to the bylaws to facilitate the 911 Authority becoming a SAGA Executive Member.

Motion by McGill with support by Miller to approve the Saginaw County 911 Authority becoming a SAGA Executive Member.

Motion Carried.

Discuss/Approve Member Use of Surrounding GIS Data:

Hoffman told the membership that Taylor had requested, on behalf of Thomas Township, the use of surrounding township GIS data for trail planning. This request initiated consideration of allowing general use of all public GIS data by all members. Currently each member only has access to their own township's data. Generally the data would be used for master planning. Grose suggested allowing full use of the data as long as it was not for financial gain, ie use by an engineering company. It was proposed that all public data should be commonly shared. Utilities would not be included in this commonly shared GIS data. Grose asked that this new policy be formalized by resolution at the September General Meeting. There was no disagreement among the membership.

Web Update:

Brandon DuVall, City of Saginaw Webmaster, reported that the new SAGA website went live July 15, 2014. It was stated the site services approximately 1500 customers a day and that this number remained strong throughout the launch. The new site offers improved interactive mapping, is mobile friendly, and is built on streamlined coding to facilitate ease of migrating the data from many disparate sources to the website. The new site also has a fresh look which brings it aesthetically up to date.

DuVall stated that going forward he would be working to create an improved format for hardcopy printing and also would be incorporating Web Ads. The Web Ads component would mirror the successful City of Saginaw Google Ads program.

Hoffman added that realtors were missing the old reports page and that he had numerous requests for flood zone data as well. He said that the Flood Plain layer was now again available on the improved interactive map. He told the membership that the new site offered a more seamless merger of GIS data and mapping. He said he was happy with the new site and is looking for feedback from users.

Weaver told the membership that if they were using BSA links to the old SAGA site that these links would now need to be changed to reflect the change over to the new webpage. She said Dan Sherman would be able to help facilitate this process.

Hoffman said a demo of the new website would be forthcoming at the Annual Meeting.

E911 Computer Aided Dispatch Version Update:

Hoffman reported that a scheduled E911 CAD software upgrade has been cancelled. He said he continues to do work for 911.

2015 Orthophotography Project:

A new fly over of the County is slated for the Spring of 2015. Hoffman stated that he met with a regional GIS group and as a result he would be preparing a six county RFP, the counties to include: Saginaw, Bay, Midland, Gratiot, Gladwin and Isabella. The six county partnership would reduce Saginaw County's fly over cost to \$69,000. In contrast the 2010 cost was \$124,000. The aerials would be flown to the same specifications as 2010 with the exception that in 2015 there would be no new LiDAR data gathered. Dow has offered \$40,000 for the 2015 fly over. This money would lower SAGA's out of pocket cost to \$29,000. Hoffman said he anticipated getting the six county RFP out within the next two weeks.

Adjournment:

Motion by Mann with support to Adjourn the Meeting at 9:25am.

Motion carried.

Next General Meeting 9:00am, September 15, 2014 at MSU Extension.

Next Executive Meeting – TBA

Minutes prepared by Bill Jeruski