



RAMSEY COUNTY GIS USER GROUP

An alliance of communities sharing Geographical Information Systems

Monthly Meeting Minutes

August 2, 2007

Location: Shoreview City Hall, 4600 Victoria St. N

1. Welcome & Introductions

Attendees:

Stephen Baker- Ramsey County

Deb Jones- Falcon Heights

Joel Koepp- Roseville

Steve Lorbach-St. Paul

Carrie Mack- Ramsey Washington Watershed Dist

Curt Peterson- Ramsey County

Jolinda Stapleton- Roseville

Jan Vanderwall-Roseville School District

Meeting was called to order by Jan Vanderwall at 2:06 p.m.

2. Additions or Corrections to the Agenda

No changes to the agenda.

3. Approval of 2007 July Minutes

The minutes of the 2007 July meeting (posted at <http://www.ramseygis.com/minutes.php>) were approved by consensus.

4a. RCGISUG Website Re-design

Steve Lorbach has a list of current members and plans to include it on the website. The URL for the website is back to www.ramseygis.org. Due to the City of St. Paul's plan on outsourcing their website, the User Group will need to purchase their own domain. Steve indicated that he could get a domain through www.GoDaddy.com for \$43 annually.

Steve Lorbach moved to change the RCGIS User Group website to a Go.Daddy.com domain. The motion was seconded by Deb Jones. The motion carried with no dissent.

4b. Education Opportunities

Jan Vanderwall updated the User Group on the two teacher workshop sessions that will be held at Roseville Area High School on August 28th. Jan is looking for User Group members to participate in the workshop. Jan also indicated that the User Group could present another session at the TIES conference in November.

4c. Pictometry

The City of Roseville has been upgrading their Pictometry EFS from version 2.6 to 2.7. Jolinda requested a meeting with other Metro-inet Pictometry users to discuss default tools and layouts to be used in a default project. Deb Jones, Carrie Mack and Jolinda will meet in the next few weeks to discuss this.

Fred Fisher from St. Paul had taken a leading role in purchasing Pictometry but has now retired. A new Pictometry contract must be confirmed by the end of 2007 for the spring 2008 flight. Steven Baker had previously discussed this contract with Pictometry and the costs are estimated to be \$60,000 or a 2-year contract for \$100,000. Steven hopes that by the end of September Ramsey County will have established an individual to take the lead on the project.

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4d. ArcGIS Server

Jan Vanderwall, Jolinda Stapleton and John Blackstone met in July with Mary Mahoney from Ramsey County Information Services. Mary Mahoney offered the User Group to review the draft copy of the ESRI report on the County's internal GIS needs when it became available. The RCGIS User Group officers indicated to Mary that the Group is interested in being involved in the expansion of data exchange between the County and the cities.

5. Ramsey County Data Updates – Curt Peterson

Curt Peterson brought along new data and geodatabase CD's. Updates include parcels but there is no update from the tax, sales and permitting. There continues to be work on the centerlines. Around 20-25 suburban plats have had their parcels rectified since the last update.

6. Other Business

Jan Vanderwall will not be present at the September meeting. Jolinda Stapleton will be the Acting Chair for the meeting.

7. Adjournment

was at 3:15 p.m.

Next meeting will be on September 6, 2007, 2:00 p.m. at Shoreview City Hall.

Minutes submitted by Jolinda Stapleton, Acting Secretary.

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