



Fort Bend GIS Consortium Meeting

Thursday, March 15, 2018 10:00AM

Greater Fort Bend EDC

1 Fluor Daniel Drive, Sugar Land, TX 77478

Meeting Notes:

Action: Phillip – locate and provide sign up info for GIS Expo (done)

Action: Glen – Determine if county purchased additional Pictometry Licenses

1. Introductions

This is the first meeting with new officers.

2. Review Last Meeting

Glenn says first flight finished for new imagery. If you currently have a license you can sign in to see new pictures. The data providers may do a few more touch up flights and will release the updated imagery when done.

3. Local Community Presentation

a. Missouri City – GIS Snapshot

Tatum Reviewed some of the projects he's involved in at Missouri City. His workload includes assisting in integration of OSSSI software. He notes that ARCGIS Pro can't do geometric networks.

4. Guest Presentation

a. ESRI – What's New at 10.6

Katherine Smyth

Presentation sent by separate email from Paul. Katherine can be contacted at ksmyth@esri.com. Contact her or Nick Popovitch for solution related information.

5. By-Law Review

Paul Jones

Discussed By laws and benefit / drawback of limiting membership and/or holding office to government entities only. We currently have private company representatives as members (Ashok, others). Glenn related that there are licensing restrictions on sharing data with non government entities in many areas. (Example Pictometry data due licensing issues, CAD data, etc). Some of the restrictions are based on cost sharing among government entities. We're not allowed to mix public and private funds by law. There was general consensus that we can have members representing private entities. These members may be excluded from some data sharing where required. The group generally agreed that officers would be from government entities.

6. Addressing Subgroup

Paul Jones

On hold till Fort Bend County hires a new GIS Administrator

7. Tips, Tricks and Help

Recommendation that all map products produced by GIS professionals have a general disclaimer stating:

This product is for informational purposes and may not have been prepared for or be suitable for legal, engineering, or surveying purposes. It does not represent an on-the-ground survey and represents only the approximate relative location of property boundaries.

8. Announcements

a. Future Meeting Dates

- i. May 10th
- ii. August 16th
- iii. November 8th

Meeting dates picked by Paul to avoid holidays. General agreement that they'll work.

b. 2018 Houston Regional GIS Expo

- i. Thursday, March 29th from 8 AM to 3 PM
- ii. Houston Transtar Building (6922 Katy Rd, Houston, Tx 77024)
- iii.

Update - See [Houston Regional GIS Expo - Houston-Galveston Area Council \(H-GAC\)](#)
Event is free but tickets required.