

LOUISIANA NENA CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES

July 12, 2012

Baton Rouge

President Kory Latiolais called the meeting to order.

Secretary/Treasurer's Report

Linda Lavergne reported that the current NENA membership is 119 and prior year was 123. The checking account balance is \$20,028.57. President Latiolais asked for a motion to approve the report, motion made by Jack Varnado, seconded by Steven Brignac and motion carried. Motion made by Tracey Hilburn to accept the financial report, seconded by Mr. Varnado, motion carried.

New Business

Committee Report-GIS Council Update

Katherine Cargo passed out a couple of handouts to the members present. The first handout was a draft copy of the Louisiana Geographic Information Systems Council Resolution to Endorse the FGDC United States Thoroughfare, Landmark, and Postal Address Data Standard for Louisiana. She stated that the GIS Council has adopted the FGDC addressing standard. Ms. Cargo stated that The Louisiana Geographic Information Systems Council is made up of different groups within state government that would use GIS data. The council makes recommendation to the State government about standards to use for GIS, sharing GIS data, but they cannot enforce it. However, we do have something that the State GIS council created, the Louisiana Spatial Data Infrastructure (LSDI). These standards modeled after the Federal Geographic Data Committee (FGDC) guides state agencies on how to compile their GIS data. Workshops were held that many of you attended and the council did approve this language to adopt the addressing standard and add it to the LSDI, the Louisiana Spatial Data Infrastructure. The goal is to make it easier to share data between local, State, and the Feds. Ms. Cargo said the standard can be found on the website it is 600 pages long. The standard itself is not that long but it includes all the comments, and there were a lot of comments from the 911 community and NENA. If you can't find it on the LAGIC website, then it will definitely be on the FGDC website

The second handout was information on two next generation workshops to be held in Pineville on July 25th and 26th. She stated that the first workshop on July 25th is an introduction to Next Gen 9-1-1 and more of an overview of Next Gen 9-1-1. The second workshop, which is the following day, is transitioning to Next Gen 9-1-1. She stated that these courses are being offered at no cost because of a grant that she and Greg Johnson applied for and received.

Next Generation 9-1-1 Update

Stephen Gordon reported on the presentation he gave at NENA National conference on the status of Next Gen 9-1-1 in Louisiana. In his presentation he stated that Louisiana does not have a State 911 coordinating office and that the 64 parishes are waiting for standards to be established. He also gave an overview of what some other states reported.

Motion to adjourn made by Jack Varnado, seconded by Steven Gordon, motion carried and meeting adjourned.

