

# **Kankakee County GIS Committee Meeting Minutes Meeting of April 4, 2008**

## **Members in Attendance**

Steve Beatty, Kankakee County Supervisor of Assessments  
Kelly McLaren, Kankakee County Board  
Jim Piekarczyk, Kankakee County Engineer  
Pete Schiel, City of Kankakee  
George Washington, Kankakee County Board

## **Others in Attendance**

Roger Diercks, Kankakee County GIS Manager  
Bob Gotkowski, NRCS  
Josh Kalov, GIS Technician  
Diane Redwitz, Kankakee County Highway Department

Meeting commenced at 9:07am

Mr. Piekarczyk made a motion to approve the minutes of the GIS Committee meeting of March 1, 2008. Mr. McLaren seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Mr. Diercks reported that Pinnacle had addressed and fixed all of the issues in the photos that were submitted. Pinnacle mistakenly send the wrong tile for one tile, but they would be redelivering the tile. Mr. Diercks said that he felt that once that tile was delivered, and if there were no problems, that the County would be ready to sign off on the photography. There were still some minor planimetric issues that were also being addressed.

Mr. Washington asked if any payment had been withheld from Pinnacle. Mr. Diercks replied that the Committee's direction seemed to be to try to resolve the issue and for both parties to move on. He said that Pinnacle had certainly put itself in a position where it would not likely be considered for future County GIS projects.

Mr. Diercks reported that there were two website subscriptions and one data purchase for a total of \$520.

Mr. Diercks presented a letter from First American data services that asked for permission to purchase parcel data and to sell derivative products. The sentiment of the Committee was to deny this request.

Mr. Diercks said that it had come to his attention that Aqua Illinois had delivered data related to its water system to the Kankakee County Planning Department to be used in association with economic development. He said that this was unexpected and that at this point he didn't think there was anything that GIS needed to do in terms of discussing possible data sharing arrangements. Mr. McLaren said that he agreed and that if Aqua were interested in data sharing, then Aqua should approach the GIS Committee.

Mr. Diercks told the Committee that the Maximus agreement for the cost study of the recording fee would go to the full County Board on Tuesday.

Mr. Diercks updated the Committee on the status of the taxing district issues that GIS, the County Clerk's Office, and the office of Supervisor of Assessments had been working to resolve. He said that a final push was being made to resolve the issues before the County Clerk's Office began tax extension. Mr. Beatty said that in many cases the problem was that municipalities had not correctly filed annexation ordinances, but also in many cases there had been clerical errors that resulted in the wrong tax codes being assigned to parcels. Mr. Diercks said that the issues were not at all unique to Kankakee County. To his knowledge, just about every county in the state that implemented GIS discovered tax code issues.

Mr. Diercks told the Committee that Mr. Kalov had been working hard on LUCA and that over 7000 addresses the Census Bureau did not have in their records would be submitted. Ms. Redwitz mentioned that the Census Bureau would not be using handheld computers for data collection in the 2010 census. Mr. Diercks expressed concern that this would affect the hard work being done by units of local government across the country on the LUCA project.

Mr. Diercks told the Committee that another project GIS was working on was developing some standard maps that would be made available to any interested party. Mr. Diercks said that he'd like to see an assortment of printable maps eventually made available to the public via the GIS Department website.

Lastly, Mr. Diercks informed the Committee that he, Mr. Kalov, Ms. Redwitz, and possibly Mr. Newton would be attending the Illinois GIS Association conference in Springfield from April 21-22.

Mr. Piekarczyk made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. McLaren. The motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:24am.