

Minutes
Kankakee County GIS Committee
Meeting of January 9, 2026

1) Open Meeting

Chairman Blair opened the meeting at 10:05 A.M.

2) Roll Call

The following members were present: Mr. Blair, Ms. Gadbois, Mr. Heiden, Mr. Kerkstra, Ms. Morrey, and Ms. Norman.

Additional attendees included Mr. Olson, Mr. Skimerhorn, and Mr. Wilson.

3) Public Comment

There was no public comment.

4) Approval of Minutes

Ms. Gadbois motioned to combine and approve the minutes from July 11, 2025 and October 10, 2025 as presented. Ms. Morrey seconded the motion. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

5) Election of Officers

Mr. Heiden nominated Chairman Blair for chairman and Mr. Kerkstra seconded the nomination. There were no other nominations. Unanimous vote. Motion carried. Ms. Morrey motioned to close nominations, which was seconded by Mr. Kerkstra. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

Mr. Blair nominated Mr. Kerkstra for vice-chairman and Mr. Heiden seconded the nomination. There were no other nominations. Unanimous vote. Motion carried. Ms. Gadbois motioned to close nominations, which was seconded by Mr. Heiden. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

6) Project Updates

The 2025 ortho image tiles published online and set as the default aerial image on K3-Mapper. The addition of a color infrared image from the 2025 aerial imagery project was going to be published to K3-Mapper, too.

The version of K3-Mapper created on ArcGIS Experience Builder was officially made the current version of K3-Mapper on January 1, 2026. Staff were looking into upgrading ArcGIS Enterprise software to a newer version. The benefit would be to have access to software extensions that had become available with the new software licenses. Staff initiated the Highway Department's document portal upgrade to the data new newer software.

Planimetric data was progressing and new data including building footprints, roads, driveways, private walks and trails were being created. The non-motorized planimetric data was also being updated because the 2025 aerial imagery had better spatial accuracy than the 2020 imagery, which the non-motorized data was based on.

The Parcel Fabric project was completed and staff were going to be able to start processing cadastral changes for tax year 2025 once the annual rollover of data was finished.

7) New Business

Chairman Blair thanked Mr. Olson for his hard work and the completion of GIS projects in 2025, including bathymetric data, aerial imagery, Parcel Fabric migration, and the new K3-Mapper.

8) Old Business

Mr. Skimerhorn reminded everyone of the potential for a project in 2026, which could be elevation contour data based on the new LiDAR data.

9) Next Meeting Date

The next meeting time was scheduled for April 10, 2026.

10) Adjournment

Ms. Gadbois motioned to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Heiden seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 10:38 A.M.