

#### **Memphis Area Geographic Information Council**

Board Meeting: January 19, 2021 Virtual Attendance (Zoom) Time: 10:00 am Prepared by Michelle Field

# **MINUTES**

### **CALL TO ORDER & ESTABLISH QUORUM**

#### Call to Order

- Motion By: Tom Lawrence
- Seconded By: Rob Winkler

#### • Quorum established at 10:04 am by President Tom Lawrence.

- Officers (4 present)
  - President Tom Lawrence Yes / No
  - Vice President Rob Winkler Yes / No
  - Treasurer Lauren Patterson Yes / No
  - Secretary Michelle Field Yes / No

Yes / No

# • Members (5 present)

- Andrew McColgan Yes / No
- Sherra Russell
- Marie Holyfield
- Yes / No Scott Trapolino Yes / No
- AJ Robinson
- Yes / No Lee Owens Yes / No .
- Shawn Anderson Yes / No .

#### • Levitt Shell

- Alexis Wade Yes / No
  - Yes / No . Natalie Wilson

#### **ADDITIONS / DELETIONS TO AGENDA**

(None)

#### **Introductions**

Board introduced selves to Levitt Shell

#### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Treasurer's report was unchanged since most recent meeting on 11/13/2020. •

- Approve Minutes from previous meeting (11/13 and 12/15) 11/13 Minutes: Motion By: Rob Winkler Seconded By: Andrew McColgan 12/15 Minutes: Motion By: Rob Winkler Seconded By: Shawn Anderson
- 2. Levitt Shell Assistance

Discussion with Alexis Wade and Natalie Wilson of the Levitt Shell organization regarding their request for assistance. They had requested a computer for them to do GIS, however, we let them know that our mission is not for that sort of assistance. We can help them with technical assistance and may be able to help them with a fundraising campaign for the computer. Today's discussion will be to identify their needs, such as what results they want and how they want to use them. Then we can determine what we could do to help. One idea could be to get them involved with GIS Corps.

Levitt Shell is a 501©(3) nonprofit – over 50 free concerts per year. They need to see impact. Used Survey 123. Live streams have gone across country and 7 foreign countries. Shell on Wheels Program is a music outreach program that identifies accessibility in the community in relation to the Levitt Shell. Volunteering – assistance in how to use GIS in impactful ways, survey strategy, data collection. Gifts: donations; 1 laptop, 3 tablets.

Recommended to use ArcGIS Online Lee will look at data; Rob and Michelle also offered to volunteer Alexis@levittshell.org natalie@levittshell.org

- 4. Programs (Rob)
  - Past Programs
    - $\circ$  12/16 Ashley Hitt "Broadband Mapping Advocacy to Increase Citizen Engagement" 25 people signed up and 12 attended. Attendance certificates were sent to the attendees.
    - $\circ$  1/13 Holly Torpley "GIS Corps" 20 people attended the presentation. Attendance certificates were sent to the attendees.
    - Rob is adding people to the MAGIC list- slowly growing
    - Great presentations for the last 6 months
    - Set up Zoom meetings for all webinars make sure registration is created
    - MC: Rob and moderator: Michelle
  - Up-coming Events
    - o 2/17 (3 PM) "FEMA Advanced Analytics to Support Disaster Operations"
    - 3/17 (3 PM) Xan Fredricks, USGS and George Heleine, USGS "3D Elevation Program Overview: Lidar Progress in Tennessee"

- 4/14 (Noon) John Nelson ESRI Cartography
- $\circ$  Look for future talks ideas?
- Activities
  - Logistics (set up Zoom and get info to speaker) Michelle
  - Maintain contact with speaker until day of talk Michelle (Rob assist as needed)
  - Promote presentation via e-mail (Michelle), LinkedIn (Tom)
  - Greet speaker on day of presentation Tom (Michelle will greet for February)
  - Admit attendees Rob (Andrew will co-host)
  - Send out attendance certificates Tom
- 5. Social Activities (Scott)
  - Set up next after hours social
  - Identify other sorts of social events if needed.
- 6. Membership (Tom)
  - Social Outreach -
    - LinkedIn is being updated on an on-going basis.
    - FaceBook No activity. Should we maintain FaceBook?
    - Other?
  - Membership Plan

7. Sponsors Committee (AJ, Lauren and Tom)

• Committee met on 10/9/20

8. MAGIC Conference 2021 (Tom, Lauren, Rob and Michelle)

- Date and location Lauren will confirm 11/18 and 11/19 at the Botanic Gardens.
- 9. Map Contest (Michelle)
  - The Board needs to approve the proposed prizes. See below.

#### Memphis Area Geographic Information Council's

#### **2021 Virtual Map Contest**

#### **Digital Map Contest for Undergraduate and Graduate Students**

Places	Prizes
1 <sup>st</sup>	\$300 visa gift card and an ArcGIS for Personal Use License
2 <sup>nd</sup>	\$150 visa gift card
3 <sup>rd</sup>	\$75 visa gift card

Approval for Map Contest Prizes Motion By: Michelle Field Seconded By: Rob Winkler

April 18th submission for map contest – contest on 23rd

Michelle will write up map contest flyer.

10. MAGIC Scholarship (Sherra)

- Submissions on April 11<sup>th</sup>, qualifiers announced on 13<sup>th</sup>, presented on 23<sup>rd</sup>
- Presenters for scholarship competition; map gallery winner announcement, scholarship winner announcement
- Presenters will present for 10 minutes and 5 minutes for questions
- Motion to approve prizes (\$3,000);
  - Motion By: Sherra Russell
  - Seconded By: Michelle Field
- 11. New Business and Topics for Next Meeting

#### 10. Future Board Meetings:

- Board meetings will be held monthly on third Tuesdays at 10 AM.
- Next Board Meeting: February 16, 2021 via Zoom
- Future Meetings (please add to calendar to try to block the time)
  - March 16
  - April 20 (overlaps with TNGIC Conference)
  - o May 18
  - o June 15
  - o July 20
  - August 17
  - o September 21
  - October 19 (I will be out of town at a conference)
  - November 16 (Cancel due to MAGIC Conference)
  - O December 21 (Hold post-Conference meeting earlier in month tbd)

# Quorum Ended 11:33 a.m.

• Motion By: Tom Lawrence Seconded By: Rob Winkler

# **MAGIC Membership**

# 2020-2021 PLAN (Sent to Board on 10/8/2020)

**NOTE:** This plan is to get the membership back on track. The Board can meet in the future to change how membership is done, but for now we need to have a membership plan, so that we can offer some sort of membership. There are some things that I would want to change related to the By-Laws, but we can work on that later.

**CHALLENGE:** For many years, MAGIC had no "membership" specifically. Professionals would sign up for the annual conference, then be on the list to receive e-mails about future conferences. When MAGIC began to be organized as a group, it was decided that there needed to be a small cost for the conference and that by paying for the conference, the person would become a "member" of MAGIC. Over time, it evolved that the conference was included at no cost as part of becoming a member of the group. Some organizations could not pay for membership in a group, but could pay to attend a conference. Other organizations could pay for membership, but not for a conference. At that point, MAGIC began offering both options, so that the person could request payment either for membership or for the conference. It began to get confusing over the last couple of years as the conference has moved around and the group has offered different types of events.

**MEMBERSHIP** (beginning in November 2020): MAGIC will offer membership to run from November 1, 2020 until October 31, 2021 (this timeframe is in the By-Laws - Article III, Section 3). The cost is \$35 for all members, except for active students for whom the cost is \$15. A payment anytime during the "membership year" will count within that year. For example, if someone pays in June 2021, they are a member until October 31, 2021 and will need to rejoin after November 1 for the following "membership year". Membership is for the person, not for the company nor for the position at the company, so no transfer if a person leaves a company (By-Laws - Article III, Section 7).

**STUDENTS:** Students include those in K-12, post high school study (college, university, etc.), and graduate school. Students need to provide the name of their school and any supporting documentation requested by the MAGIC Board. If case the person's status as to whether they count as a student is unclear, the decision of the MAGIC Board is final. The Board will not consider the case of whether a person is a student member until an application has been submitted and a payment has been made. If not accepted as a student member, the payment made will be returned to the applicant.

**WEBSITE:** A payment button will be placed on the website to allow people to pay on-line. Additionally, a membership form will be placed on the website that people can download and complete to send in with a check. Once paid, I (or someone else) can be the official keeper of the membership list and will send the new members a welcome e-mail. The Secretary will continue to keep track of the e-mail list.

**BENEFITS:** People who pay their membership will be considered members of MAGIC. At this point in time there are no benefits other than what non-members get - everyone is invited to the presentations. We could add some benefits later, such as members-only presentations or members-only prizes drawings at the presentations. I expect that we'll do some sort of 2021 Conference, so that would be one benefit, but I don't want to announce it until it is set. It may be in the next "membership year" period. Once the conference is set, we could also offer conference "membership" for those who cannot join as members.