

**ST. TAMMANY GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS DISTRICT**

**AGENDA – REGULAR MEETING**

December 14, 2021 – 1:30 P.M.

By Zoom Conference

- I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. APPEARERS
- IV. CONSENT CALENDAR
- a. Regular Meeting Minutes – October 12, 2021
- V. REGULAR AGENDA
- a. Unfinished Business
  - Representation from the St Tammany Municipal Assoc. (STMA)
  - Coordinating GIS Damage Assessments
  - Distribution of Pictometry Imagery (post Ida)
- b. New Business
  - Data Standards – Endorsed by GIS Steering Committee
  - GUMBO Broadband Project
  - ESRI Enterprise Agreement and new ESRI Rep
  - Cyclomedia Project
- VI. COMMENTS AND REPORTS
- a. McNeil
- b. STMA Representative
- c. Thiel
- d. Johnson
- e. Tsang

Adjournment

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**2021 CALENDAR**

All meetings are scheduled to be held at 1:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month that falls within the March, June, and September quarters.

Tuesday, March 8, 2022

Tuesday, June 14, 2022

Tuesday, September 13, 2022

Meeting dates, times and location are subject to change. Please check agenda regularly, or for immediate assistance, please call Craig Johnson at (985)898-2448.



## ST. TAMMANY GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS DISTRICT

### Board Members:

Mike Thiel, Chair  
Grant Black  
Michael McNeil  
Benjamin Tsang

### REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

December 14th, 2021

**DISTRICT CHAIR,** Mike Thiel, called the meeting to order at 1:34 p.m.

**ROLL CALL** (a quorum was present) as follows:

**PRESENT:** Grant Black (Parish)  
Mike Thiel (FD #1)  
Michael McNeil (STPAO)

**APPEARERS:** Craig Johnson, Catherine Robinson, Christine Evans, Carl Cleland, Weber Jansen.

**CONSENT CALENDAR:** Regular Meeting Minutes

Minutes from the last meeting (October 12, 2021) were read. We had a motion from Grant Black (STP Gov) to accept the minutes and a second from Michael McNeil (STPAO).

### **REGULAR AGENDA:**

- 1) Chad Whaley awaits appointment this January, as the **St. Tammany Municipal Association (STMA) Representative** on the GIS District,
- 2) **Coordinating GIS Damage Assessments** – Rob Crawford spoke to Grant Black at the last IT Directors meeting. He suggested that a meeting needs to be scheduled between the Parish agencies collecting post-storm damage assessments. That meeting would include Clarence Powe (Director of Emergency Preparedness), Kenny Wortmann (Director of Permits & Inspections) and others to determine how best to collect the data that everyone needs through increased coordination.
- 3) The **Pictometry Post Hurricane Ida imagery** dataset is too large to be distributed through an FTP site. STP will load data on external hard drive to share with other Parish agencies. Contact GIS Department for the hard drive. STPAO also shared the DOTD Image Service Link to the Pictometry imagery of the Parish (below):

[https://maps.dotd.la.gov/imagery/rest/services/Imagery/2021\\_StTammanyParish\\_3IN\\_RGB/ImageServer](https://maps.dotd.la.gov/imagery/rest/services/Imagery/2021_StTammanyParish_3IN_RGB/ImageServer)

- 4) **Data Standards** – The internal Parish GIS Steering Committee approved a list of **parish data custodians**. We can always amend, add or delete items on this list with a majority vote of the District members. STP Gov also approved a file naming standard for Parish GIS data. It consists of the file description and the date with the most current data always labelled as “Current”. STP Gov will post this information to our website and email it to members. A metadata workshop will be scheduled as a refresher course on how to create metadata using Arc Catalog or ArcGIS Pro.
- 5) **GUMBO Broadband Project** – The parish successfully applied for a federal grant to run fiber connecting underserved areas of the Parish. It will run through Lacombe to Slidell, up Hwy 434, up Hwy 41 through Pearl River to Bush and across Hwy 40 to Lee Rd.
- 6) **We have a new ESRI Representative**, Traci Tracey. She has been with ESRI for over 20 years. She is planning on attending future meetings with a technical rep. to answer any questions that we may have.
- 7) **Cyclomedia** currently has two cars in the parish collecting LIDAR and Imagery data. There is still an issue with easy access to gated communities. The Fire Department will provide escorts in those communities.

#### **COMMENTS AND REPORTS:**

- 1) Grant Black – nothing new to report
- 2) Michael McNeil – nothing new to report
- 3) Mike Thiel – Anyone in the group needs help, we can add items to the agenda. Encourages bringing training to the group and use available ESRI Enterprise training credits.
- 4) Weber Jansen – STP Mosquito Abatement District recently hired a GIS Person. Mosquito Abatement will share gate codes they have with the Fire Department.
- 5) Grant proposed writing up an ordinance with Ross Liner (Director of Planning and Development) on standardization of gated communities to share gate codes for emergencies and parish access.

**Motion to Adjourn** was made at 2:03pm by Grant Black and seconded by Michael McNeil. All were in favor.