## **SW MN GIS Users Group**

10am January 11, 2006 Lyon County Public Works

## **Meeting Minutes**

## Introductions

Charlie Kost - SMSU
Shawn Strong - Lyon County
Charlie Teff - Lyon County
Ardis Hotzler - Jackson County
Jason Overby - Lincoln Pipestone Rural Water
Terry Renken - YMRWD
Arlyn Lindsay - MMU
Bill Folger - Pipestone County
Kyle Krier - Pipestone County
John Shepard - SWRDC
Shawn Wohnoutka - RCRCA

Charlie Kost - chair of Gov Council's Land Records Modernization Committee - provided an update including discussing money from the state to help pay for parcel mapping.

No one in the group was able to attend the out state GIS user group meeting at the 2005 MN GIS/LIS conference.

John Shepard attended the last Pine to Prairie GIS User Group in Fergus Falls and gave a description of the events.

## Updates

Terry Renken handed out a report of progress made on Yellow Medicine River water quality. Discussed maps of meter stations created using ArcView 3.x.

John Shepard discussed his activities at the SWRDC. He is currently evaluating the existing system and looking at AV 9.1 vs 3.x. Proposed gathering a list of consultants and references for the group to use when looking for outside help. Discussed policy and data sharing. Working with Lincoln County on Comp Plan and Murray County with water plan.

Arlyn Lindsay said that MMU is moving into the 'GIS age'. They have recently acquired a base station and two rovers, planning to GPS utilities. Work mainly in AutCAD environment.

Shawn Wohnoutka said he tries to work with GIS about once a week, using AV 3.3 mostly. Would like to get into some modeling or analysis.

Bill Folger is discovery what county department want for a GIS. Developing intranet and public website. Working on goals and deadlines for the county board.

Kyle Krier is using AV 8.x daily for zoning, setbacks, septic, feedlots, and 911. Working on a new county map. Hoping to get ArcPad for field work.

Shawn Strong - update...

Jason Overby - update...

Ardis Hotzler - update...

Charlie Kost - update...

Next Meeting

April 12, 10am, Marshall Municipal Utilities

Topics: Mobile GIS (GPS)

Arlyn will contact Frontier Precision for demonstration