

New Jersey Geospatial Forum

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes



Date: October 2, 2019
Time: 1:20 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.
Location: 200 Riverview Plaza, Room 402, Trenton, NJ
Attendees: Ann-Marie Falkowski, Trish Long, Andy Rowan, Doug Schleifer, Mike Shanahan, David Tulloch

Elections

Open seats for the Executive Committee are Federal, Land Surveyor, NGO, and Regional Authority.

- Federal: Trish will run for reelection.
- Land Survey: Russ Kaufman is not running for reelection. The New Jersey Society of Professional Land Surveyors will select someone to nominate.
- NGO: Mike will run for reelection.
- Regional Authority: Ildiko Pechmann is not running for reelection. The Committee thought of potential people who are eligible to run for election and Doug checked the database and it was determined that potential candidates include Mark DeLorenzo (Pinelands), Nathan McLean (Highlands), Dom Elefante (Passaic Valley). Other regional authorities include DVRPC, NJTPA, and MERI.

The Bylaws were read, and members cannot self-nominate.

Ildiko volunteered to run the election. The e-mail opening nominations should be sent out this week. Nominations should close on October 31. Voting should end approximately two weeks before the December general meeting when the election results will be announced.

The Committee would like to encourage municipal government employees/volunteers to attend the general meetings so that they are eligible to run and/or vote in the next election.

Taskforce Updates

- Boundary: Trish sent an e-mail requesting that the taskforce refine their mission, goals, and objectives. She has not received a response. Trish will send a follow-up email indicating that if we do not receive a response, we will vote to close the taskforce at the December 4 executive meeting.
- Elevation: Update was given at the general meeting.
- Trails: The Trails Taskforce's mission is to develop the methodology for a statewide trails dataset. The Taskforce would like to change the mission to include implementation. It was decided that they can proceed without a formal process. Andy suggested that the Taskforce attend the next Executive meeting to give an update on their progress. Andy also brought up that work on a trails dataset was done previously and is available at njtrails.org.

General Meeting Topics

Dan Martin from the National Geodetic Survey will be presenting at the December general meeting on the new horizontal and vertical datums in 2020.

David suggested Lyna Wiggins as a potential speaker for the March 2020 meeting.

Andy suggested that we could have the Trail Taskforce present a future general meeting.