

MINUTES

BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL SURVEYORS AND MAPPERS

RULES WORKSHOP

July 14, 2004

Hawthorn Suites Hotel
7450 Augusta National Drive
Orlando, Florida 32822

The workshop was called to order by Mr. Jeff Cooner, Chair, at 12:50 p.m.

Members Present:

Pam Nobles
Jeff Cooner
Dennis Blankenship
Jeff Cooner
Louis Lebron
Sidney Greer

Members Not Present:

Fran Poppell
Beverly Sutphin
Lou Bush

Others Present:

Henry Echezabal
Perry Leayell
David Melvin
Chris O'Neill
Alvin Gloer
Lee Brock
Maureen Smith
Marilyn Evers
Gail Oliver
Harley Gilmore
Savo Sijjepcevie
Steven Gordon
Pam Nobles
Jeff Cooner

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 7, 2004 MTS WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES

The committee reviewed the April 7, 2004 MTS Workshop meeting minutes and after review the following motion was made.

MOTION: Mr. Cooner made a motion to approve the April 7, 2004 MTS rules workshop minutes.
SECOND: Mr. Greer seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

REVIEW AND DISCUSSION

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Mr. Cooner advised the board that included in their agenda materials was the draft proposal that included the changes made at the April 2004 meeting.

Mr. Cooner stated that even though Ms. Sutphin was not present at the meeting she made some comments to the proposed language. Mr. Cooner stated Ms. Sutphin suggested taking out the language "right of way survey" on page 23 number 5. After discussion the board agreed with Ms. Sutphin and stated "right of way survey" was a type of survey or map no longer prepared. Mr. Cooner stated Ms. Sutphin suggested moving the language Raster Imagery on page 36 to survey products. Mr. Cooner stated Mr. Bush was working on revisions to Raster Imagery and Ms. Sutphin's comments could be addressed at the next meeting along with Mr. Bush's suggestions. The board agreed.

Mr. Cooner asked the board if they had any problems with the revisions on page 23-39 and if not he would like to move ahead and discuss Map accuracy on page 40 of the agenda materials. The board agreed to move ahead to page 40.

The board reviewed proposed revisions to Map Accuracy and after discussion and review the board made changes to the proposal. Ms. Nobles asked if the proposed language in section (14) (a) 3 (b), F.A.C., location if tested, meant you did not have to test. Mr. Cooner stated it was left up to the professional. Ms. Nobles stated if the language reads if tested, that it leaves an open door. Mr. Cooner suggested changing the language to were tested. Mr. Martin suggested taking out the language if tested, and just say ground truth locations. The board agreed.

Ms. Oliver stated section (14) a. 1 and 2 on page 40 contradicted each other. The board reviewed 1 and 2 and it was the consensus of the board to eliminate language in 1 and rewrite 2 to include the language truth in labeling. Mr. Cooner stated he would revise the language and bring back a draft at the next meeting.

Mr. Cooner advised the board that a situation in his county was brought to his attention and that he would like for the board to discuss. Mr. Cooner stated if you do coastal work, the State of Florida is now reviewing and requiring all elevations relevant to permits along coastal areas to be referenced in the 1988 datum. Mr. Cooner stated that when you request a permit to build along the coastal areas you have to get a State and County permit. Mr. Cooner stated the County only requires MGVD 1929 for permit review and the State requires MGVD 1988 for permit review. Mr. Cooner stated that a licensed surveyor called him asking how he was supposed to disclose what he is doing not to mislead anyone. Mr. Cooner stated the surveyor is completing two different documents, one for the State and one for the County. Mr. Cooner stated this was opening the door for confusion. Ms. Oliver stated there are many different regulations that would have to be considered. After discussion the board did not take any action.

Mr. Cooner and Ms. Oliver stated they would provide another draft to be considered at the October 2004 meeting.

61G17-5, F.A.C.

The board reviewed proposed language to address the 45-day course application deadline. Mr. Martin suggested changing the course applications instructions to read applications received less than 45 days prior to a scheduled board meeting shall not be considered at that meeting. Mr. Knap stated that at times a conference call is noticed between face to face meetings to review applications and if this language was included in the instructions it would limit the ability to review complete applications if the application was received less than 45- days. Mr. Martin stated it would. After discussion it was the consensus of the board not to take any action and to leave the 45-day deadline as a policy and leave the 45–day language in the application instruction.

NEW/OLD BUSINESS

Discussion of notification to public of surveying and mapping activities by signage on survey trucks – Jeff Cooner

Mr. Cooner stated he would like to see a rule adopted by the board to address notification to the public of surveying activities. Mr. Cooner stated that currently businesses have field crews operating out of vehicles that are unmarked. Mr. Cooner stated he had concerns that the board made an interpretation of the Statute that contracting field crews was a violation of Chapter 472, F.S. and without sign advertisements on the trucks it's hard to detect unlicensed activity and for the public to identify a survey crew.

Mr. Martin advised the board that they did not have the statutory authority to adopt a rule to require sign advertisements on vehicles. After discussion the board did not take any action.

There being no other business the meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.