

**LOUISIANA NENA CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES**  
**JULY 12, 2018**  
**NATCHITOCHEs, LA**

Vice President Sean Spansel called the meeting to order. The prayer and pledge was led by Richard McGuire.

**Secretary/Treasurer's Report**

*Financial*

Linda Lavergne reported that the current membership is 173 and prior membership was approximately 160. NENA's checking account balance is \$18,258.68.

*Minutes*

On a motion made by Debra Hopkins, seconded by Richard McGuire the minutes from the previous meeting were unanimously approved.

**New Business**

*Committee Reports: Louisiana Next Generation 9-1-1 Sub-Committee*

Richard McGuire reported that the Next Generation 9-1-1 Sub-Committee has been very active over the past few months in regards to moving forward with Next Generation 9-1-1. Mr. McGuire advised that several committee members met with INdigital at the Louisiana APCO/NENA Symposium and committee members inquired about what steps need to be taken in order to set up ESInet through INdigital in Louisiana. Representatives of INdigital advised that there are several options including, partnering with the state of Alabama and use one of their cores to reduce the cost to Louisiana, forming a coalition of all the parishes in the state that want to move forward with Next Generation 9-1-1 and produce an RFP that INdigital would respond to or have an ESInet system built and parishes throughout the state would have the option to opt-in or out. Mr. McGuire advised the median price for having an ESInet system built is 12.9 cents per citizen per month. Discussion followed.

Mr. McGuire also informed members that a Next Generation 9-1-1 Sub-Committee meeting was held last week and it was recommended that a Director's Meeting be held in the near future to discuss the transition to Next Generation 9-1-1. The meeting would also provide an opportunity for companies such as AT&T and INdigital to present their ideas on how they would aid Louisiana in the transition to Next Generation 9-1-1. Linda Lavergne proposed that the Director's Meeting be held the day prior to the next Louisiana APCO and NENA quarterly meeting in October. Discussion followed.

Kathrine Cargo reported that she is currently the Louisiana NENA Chapter representative on the GIS Council which meets every third Thursday of the month in Baton Rouge. Ms. Cargo advised the council coordinates the collection of GIS data from various state agencies. Ms. Cargo also advised that the Digital Data Committee, similar to the Next Generation 9-1-1 Sub-Committee also meets and will be reviewing addressing data and how to make it compatible with the GIS standards that have been released by NENA National, Louisiana DOTD and the Federal Geographic Data Committee. Ms. Cargo also mentioned that Federal DOTD has now mandated that state DOTD's must maintain digital files of every road in the state. Discussion followed.

*Committee Reports: Symposium Committee*

Linda Lavergne reported that the 2018 Symposium was a success and hoped that everyone enjoyed their time in Marksville. Ms. Lavergne informed members that dates and location for the 2019 Symposium have not been confirmed yet, but the Committee is looking at having the Symposium at the

Golden Nugget in Lake Charles. Once a decision has been made on the dates and location, members will be notified and information will be placed on both the Louisiana APCO and NENA websites.

Ms. Lavergne asked that if anyone has ideas for training or speaker topics for the 2019 Symposium to let a member of the Symposium Committee know. Ms. Lavergne then informed members that more information about the 2019 Symposium will be available at the October Chapter meeting.

#### *Address Data*

Chris Hardin, Data Acquisition Lead at Here Technologies spoke to members about HERE Technologies which is a location services company that provides digitized mapping for delivery companies as well as maps for in-car navigation. Mr. Hardin advised that there are many different methods used for building and updating maps such as, field data collection, aerial imagery, etc. Source data is often obtained from 911 Departments, GIS Departments, DOT Offices, property appraisers and regional councils/commissions. Mr. Hardin also advised that GIS data can be uploaded on HERE Technologies website. Discussion followed.

#### **Other Business**

Sean Spansel advised members that Ronnie Hoefeld has been selected to serve as a representative on the working group for Senate Bill 264 and Resolution 161 and that he has been selected to serve as Ronnie's alternate.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Richard McGuire to adjourn, seconded by Kory Latiolais and unanimously approved. Meeting adjourned.