

AAIS USER GROUP MEETING

APRIL 16, 2015

The meeting was held at the AAC building and began at 10 am. President Beckie Alden called the meeting to order.

Those present were Beckie Alden-Pike Co, Jill Tate-Johnson Co, Carole Adams-TASC, Julea Jones-White Co, Rebecca Carmine-White Co, Linda Hambrick-Benton Co, Gaye Brown-Desha Co, Regina Mannis-Arkansas Co, Rhonda Hefley-Pope Co, Dana Baker-Pope Co, Rebecca Cozart-Greene Co, Jane Wheeler Mordy-Greene Co, Ramona Phifer-Saline Co, Denisse Keener-Sebastian Co, Jason Nichols-DMAS, Joe D Thomson-Pulaski Co, Sandra Cawyer-Columbia Co, Lindsay Nutt-TASC, Jenny Marie Jatherree-Columbia Co and Heather Stevens-Stone Co.

Minutes from the last meeting were emailed to all members. Jill Tate made a motion to approve the minutes, Carole Adams seconded the motion and all present approved.

Present from AIS were: Butch Delaney, Vice President of Software Development, Alan Jennings-President, Patrick Hardy-Business Analyst, Eric Mc Sweeny-Senior Programmer, Jeff Baron-Business Analyst.

AGENDA

History of Property Tax in America

AAISUG Website

Review of CAMA, PERS, Mineral Releases

WinPers issues since last release

Software Development at AIS

Future CAMA

Review CAMA changes approved at last meeting

Q&A issues that must be addressed to be able to freeze CAMA, Winpers and Minerals

Butch gave a short review on the history of Property Tax and a timeline up to the integration of GIS. He also reminded us to look at the website www.assessor.apprenticeis.com. He also asked for pictures for the members, so he could load them onto the website. The website will also have minutes from past meetings, links and WIKI, which will be a place to get answers to question. AIS would like us to give them suggestions for what would be helpful to us.

Butch also told us that after April 2015 there will only be one more release before the programs will be frozen to work on the rewrite of the new programs.

Alan explained that we need to work on changes earlier in the year so that it can be tested earlier.

AIS has reorganized their workload for more efficiency.

The new 2015 teams at AIS are :

Assessor's programs- Eric, Bo, Patrick

Treasury, Clerk, WinCollect, Recorder, GL, Payroll -Karl, Jim, Tamie, Jeff

Quality control for all these programs-Jesse

Future CAMA-Eric

CAMA VERSION 1.18.3013

1. The next release of the current WinCAMA will include total well interest for mineral. They will now be able to see if they have 100% interest.
2. Mass commercial income by occupancy type.
3. User security rights report-for legislative audit.
4. Log improvements moving between parcels in the activity log, good way to track mobile homes.
5. Under the global variables you will be able to turn on rights to print corrections from the history screen. Adding a button for voiding corrections. Adding a comment button to print at top of correction header.
6. Increase page field on deed entry up to 50 digits.
7. Ability to sort use code by clicking on header.
8. Commercial calculator will have a newly discovered year for each improvement.
9. Location factor report will include multi-improvement sales.
10. Sales validation-mass update for all parcels with same book and page. It will ask if you want to update all, if you say not it will hold it on the clipboard for you to look at individually.
11. Add ACD parcel type changes, we will no longer be able to edit these.
12. Add new exemption codes required by ACD.
13. PRC front card- will work more efficiently in batches.
14. Option for automatic recalculation of parcels in mass update will now have option to recalculate parcels as last step.
15. Mass update comments private or public will be placed on the top line of comments area.
16. Add a field for comments when invalidating a parcel.
17. Add Billboard commercial lump sum pricing.
18. The exemption letter will now have taxpayer information printed on it.
19. Floor covering can now be edited by percentage or numeric.

20. Basement will have grade, age configuration.
21. Cloning deed between parcels from deed record (does not take out deed records that are already there).

Issues were discussed concerning ability to print from certain screens in the minerals program. Sandra Cawyer asked for the ability to query for well operator name and send to excel. AIS said that now you can search from site address or well name. AIS said they would follow up and look into her request.

www.demoapprenticeis.com is ready for those on the committees who have been sent a user ID to go to and test the new changes. You will keep the same user ID and password from now on.

Eric-FUTURE CAMA-it will be an upgrade of technology. The existing program is over 10 years old. Some of those changes will be, tracking who made changes, we will no longer have to run yearly copies of the program, no longer have to recalculate parcels and a new and improved Apex for sketches.

Before dismissing Joe D Thompson from Pulaski County informed us that they will be filing suit against ACD and the Legislature concerning the legislation passed about car dealerships.

It was also mentioned that Counties with minerals would like to have the law to print only one time when they are printing multiple notices to the same taxpayer. It currently creates excessive paper and customers complain about so much paper.

The subcommittees will be meeting to let AIS know what needs to be addressed before the freeze of the programs in preparation for the future rewrite. WinCAMA will be first. They will only work on one of them at a time. That date has not been set at this time.

AIS will have its new Business Analyst in touch with the Assessors regularly on the program needs.

Meeting was adjourned.