

Executive Summary
Montana Land Information Advisory Council (MLIAC)
Thursday, March 12, 2015
Helena, Montana

Attendees:

Members or Designees: Acting Chair Stu Kirkpatrick – Montana State Library (MSL); Dawn Anderson – State Agency Representative; Mike Bousliman - State Agency Representative; Annette Cabrera – Local Government Representative; Rudy Cicon – Montana Association of Registered Land Surveyors Representative; Warren Fahner - Local Government Representative; Elaina Graham - U.S. Department of Agriculture Representative; Matt Heller - U.S. Interior Department Representative; Wendy Largent - GIS Professionals Representative; Ted Chase for Cynthia Moore - State Agency Representative; Eric Spangenberg for Art Pembroke - Local Government Representative; Christiane von Reichert - University System Representative; and Leslie Zolman – GIS Professional Organization Representative.

Guests: Meghan Burns - MAGIP; Jeff Crews - SpatialSci; Nathalie Smith - ESRI; and three Liberty County School GIS students along with their teacher Gail Shatkus and two Liberty County commissioners.

Staff: Allan Cox, Michael Fashoway, Evan Hammer, Diane Papineau and Marlys Stark.

Stu Kirkpatrick called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m.

September 2014 Executive Summary – Council

Motion was made by Member Cabrera and seconded by Member Bousliman to accept the executive summary as presented and the motion passed.

November 2014 Executive Summary – Council

Edits will be to make clear that action on entire September executive summary was tabled and to correct the land plan committee names. Motion was made by Member Largent and seconded by Member Cicon to accept the executive summary with the corrections and the motion passed.

Legislative Update

- MSL budget - The water information manager position request has been approved through the house appropriations committee. The Natural Heritage Program (NHP) item was removed from the budget although interested parties have been working to increase the base.
- HJ 7 - The next generation 911 bill has moved through house committee with support from the telecommunications industry. It needs to be passed by the House and Senate by day 85, and then prioritized by the legislature, to become an interim study.
- HB 331 - The place name bill was passed by the house and moved to the Senate. If passed it will require a small amount of update work by theme steward MSL

- SJ 18 (LC 2057) The LIDAR interim study has been referred to the Senate natural resource committee and must be passed by both House and Senate by day 85 as well.
- SB 162 – This bill, supported by MACO, may have impacted MLIA collections (favorably) but died in committee.

MSDI FY 2016 Draft Work Plan – Diane Papineau

Diane presented the current draft to the council for the purpose of gaining Council input before the final document is presented in May. Among topics presented were the concern about how to facilitate communication between related themes and stressing that the theme steward can't stand alone in solving issues but policy level support.

Humanitarian GIS and the Ebola Outbreak – Leslie Zolman

Leslie recently returned from spending five weeks in Ghana and one week in Geneva as a volunteer, using her GIS skills with GISCorps to help with the Ebola outbreak. She explained the efforts she was involved in and reminded the council that GIS work can be done from home on a volunteer basis to help with various issues.

MLIA Grant Presentation – Chester/Inverness Schools

Students from Liberty County Schools along with their faculty advisor and two Liberty County Commissioners were at the council meeting to give a presentation on the MLIA Grant they recently finalized and the many projects they worked on.

The meeting was recessed at 11:51 a.m. for lunch and reconvened at 12:25 p.m.

MLIA Account FY'15 1st and 2nd Quarter Analysis – Stu Kirkpatrick

A comparison between FY'14 and FY'15 indicates that collections will continue at a level approximately \$200,000 less than FY13. The next milestone will be a March 31 snapshot to estimate funding for the FY16 grants. MSL will provide a monthly FY14/15 comparison at the May meeting

MLIA/MSDI General Administrative Budget Status- Jennie Stapp

Through January all the MLIA accounts were under budget except the Council budget which is at eighty two percent due to funding NSGIC attendance. Funds to cover that will be moved from under-expended areas.

Strategic Vision Tasks – Jennie Stapp

Currently the council is nine months in to a two year vision. Some vision tasks are complete, some in progress and some are not started. **Jennie will then ask for a working group to work on the MSDI funding task in order to have recommendations for the next legislative session.**

MLIA Grant Status – Stu Kirkpatrick

Stu asked for volunteers to serve as subcommittee members to review the grant applications and Members Largent, Zolman, Chase, Graham, Fahner, Cicon, and Anderson responded. There are nine grant applications for the subcommittee to review. The review meeting will be in April.

Three of the FY'14 grant projects are under extensions but coming along well.

MSDI Status Updates – Michael Fashoway

Michael reported on next generation 9-1-1 systems and the differences between the next generation of emergency call centers versus the current systems. He also talked about issues that will need to be addressed in Montana in order to implement the program including the implications for addressing and boundaries. GIS plays a large and vital role in NG 9-1-1 which can't be ignored.

ESRI ELA/Managed Services Update – Dave Carlson, SITSD

Dave will give a report in May. The state is considering moving their ESRI infrastructure to the Amazon Cloud and a test on that will begin soon.

MAGIP Report – Meghan Burns

Meghan reported on current MAGIP activities. Among those items, registration for the May 12 to 14 Spring Meeting at Miles City Community College is open. New board member benefits were approved and a vote on bylaw changes to the voting process will be held in May.

Council Updates

Michael Fashoway, along with Jason Danielson from Lewis & Clark County, will attend the National Address Summit in April along with the other 19 states' representatives who were invited to attend.

Evan, Stu and Annette attended the NSGIC Midyear Conference where map galleries, COGO report card and Geospatial Data Act were discussed. The meeting was in Annapolis to allow attendees to meet with their congressmen which Evan and Stu took advantage up. Annette commented that although Montana has been at the front of GIS data for a very long time, we are very far behind regarding Next Gen 9-1-1.

Open Forum and Public Comment

The council was informed that emergency services people will be going to a flood plain manager's conference next week and will be updated on Next Gen 911 also.

May Meeting Date, Location and Agenda Items – Stu Kirkpatrick

The next meeting will be held May 28 at the capitol building in Helena. Agenda items include a managed services update and a legislative update. **A location change to Bozeman or Missoula was mentioned as an item for consideration at the May meeting or a future meeting.**

The meeting adjourned at 2:51 p.m.