

**Executive Summary**  
**Montana Land Information Advisory Council (MLIAC)**  
**Thursday, March 10, 2016**  
**Helena, Montana**

**Attendees:**

Members or Designees: Chair Jennie Stapp – Montana State Library (MSL); Dawn Anderson – State Agency Representative; Dave Carlson for Ron Baldwin – Department of Administration; Annette Cabrera – Local Government Representative; Rudy Cicon online – Montana Association of Registered Land Surveyors Representative; Warren Fahner - Local Government Representative; Elaina Graham - U.S. Department of Agriculture Representative; Forrest Mandeville – Montana House; Cathy Maynard - U.S. Department of Agriculture Representative; Ted Chase for Cynthia Moore – State Agency Representative; Art Pembroke - Local Government Representative;; and Leslie Zolman – GIS Professional Organization Representative.

Guests: David Corcoran.

Staff: Evan Hammer, Diane Papineau and Marlys Stark.

**Chair Jennie Stapp called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.**

**Approval of Executive Summary – Council**

**Motion by Member Pembroke and seconded by Member Cabrera to approve the November 12, 2015 Executive Summary and the motion passed.**

**State Librarian’s Report – Jennie Stapp**

GIS Coordinator

The GIS Coordinator position has been sent to be reclassified and will hopefully be posted by the end of the month. Ron Baldwin has expressed interest in being on the screening or interview committee. Any other interested council members should contact Jennie.

Next Generation 9-1-1

MSL staff is involved with the 911 Advisory Council and Next Gen 911 in various ways. Documents were presented to the interim committee and a review was requested from MACo. Discussions have been held about needs to support 911 and state network upgrades. Funding to do GIS assessment is recommended. Evan and Michael represent MSL on the work group. Jennie is on the advisory council which is looking at updating the 911 statute. There is some reluctance to adopt statewide 911 government standards that might be hard to meet for some locales. Funding is an ongoing area of discussion; for instance, there is a fee tied to communication dollars but there is no interest in increasing that fee. The importance of GIS is recognized by most people and data collections and standards are as important as the

technology. A baseline data model is being developed by no timelines yet. The Spring Meeting does have several sessions about preparing data for next gen 911. Radio is discussed but not a major part of any plan yet.

#### Education and Local Government Interim Committee Presentation

MSL shared a presentation about our intent to ask for grant funding to the Education and Local Government Interim Committee and it seemed to be well received. They asked for additional information on grants in specific areas and asked to be kept updated. The chair of that committee will likely be on the budget subcommittee.

#### ESRI Enterprise License Agreement

There are three things which are needed to move the ELA negotiations forward. First, a decision as to whether ESRI qualifies as a sole source provider which it has been determined is the case so the proper paperwork is in process. Second, SITSD will send ESRI true up request on current usages. Finally, input from the community on what they need included before the next biennium needs to be gathered. Price negotiations will need to be concluded by June. Dave will talk to Dionne about moving forward with the true up process.

#### Land Plan Time Line

Based on the discussion at the November meeting, the proposal for the draft land plan timeline addresses the council, statute and MSL needs and will be put forward for approval in May. It will need to align with ARM award notifications rule and timeline. Council members feel it is still too condensed of a time frame and will need worked on every year as well as the needs of different jurisdictions. Extensions could be made easier if they have a field project. Everything on the proposed timeline can be moved back by a quarter or a meeting but will require rule changes to do so.

#### **FY'16 MLIA Account Review and Financial Report – Evan Hammer**

The land plan doesn't match up to these reports due to adjustments and how the state budget runs but it will be within the anticipated budget and is currently under. The collection trend looks to be better than previous years but not by much.

The FY'15 grants have one open grant which is Twin Bridges with \$4,500 remaining which will be closed out by the deadline. The FY'16 grants all seem to be on track with work being done although most haven't submitted invoices as of yet.

#### **FY'17 MLIA Grant Applications and Subcommittee Selection – Hammer**

There were a lot of applications this year with the requested funding far outdoing what is available. The subcommittee will have to decide how to review and score the applications. The subcommittee needs to be chosen. **Elaina, Warren and Leslie and said they were interested.** Other interested parties should let Evan know.

#### **2017 Executive Planning Process Recommendation – Stapp**

In the past two legislative sessions, MSL has made requests for support of MLIA funded work by requesting additional operation funding and/or FTE but have not met with success. After

meeting with Harold Blattie, it has been decided to focus on local government and grants. Jennie and Evan met with Senator Sesso last week to get his impression and input. He said asking for FTE was a non-starter but he felt he was supportive for general fund dollars to support the current grant program. The draft request is in the materials and action will be requested in May. MSL is requesting \$300,000 general fund money be allocated for grants which means more money can be used from the remaining MLIA funds to support operations and additional grants. MLIA funds as always will be divvied up through the land plan.

### **Montana Spatial Data Infrastructure Themes Website Review – Hammer**

The MSDI plan has links based on the individual theme pages. MSL is about a year into the process and asking for feedback. Council members suggested a story map on each theme.

### **2020 Census Redistricting Data Program – Zolman**

Any jurisdictions that are going to participate should let Leslie know because it needs submitted by mid-May.

### **Community Technical Assistance Program Mapping & Spatial Analysis Services – David Corcoran**

The Community Development Division program has been in the works for several years but only advertising for the last couple of years. They can do GIS work but has no formal process or charge at this time. They can help with mapping in an analysis capacity. The website is <http://comdev.mt.gov/Programs/CTAP>.

### **MAGIP Report – Leslie Zolman**

Leslie gave a quick summary of what MAGIP has been up to and their future plans including the technical session, the intermountain conference and the RJ Zimmer memorial fund. All information is available on their website at <http://magip.org/>.

### **Cadastral Application Updates – Hammer**

The planning process for cadastral application updates has begun with a number of challenges such as the many various usages and intents of the application. Another specific area is discussing with Department of Revenue the method of allowing people to opt out of having their address and other personal information be discoverable through the site. Revenue will have to undergo a rule process to outline the procedure and then the application will have to allow for it.

### **Council Updates – Evan Hammer**

MSL continues to work with ESRI on the Managed Services. All webmap services have been moved over. There are two areas that still need work and that is usage reporting and performance issues relating back to reporting. An increase in available MSDI theme services has been possible.

The NAIP 2015 data is now available thanks to Cathy Maynard getting it earlier than would have been possible otherwise. All areas were not flown due to fires and snow although there is a possibility that will be flown this spring.

The National States Geographic Information Council (NSGIC) mid-winter meeting showed that addressing continues to be a major source of discussion on the national level. There is a push for a national address database that wouldn't include personal information. An increasing number of states are adopting high resolution orthoimagery which is a few years off for Montana. Ken, Evan and Michael made visits to the congressional offices and really pressed the issue of the ArcGIS license that congress has that most aren't aware of. MSL will keep in touch with the offices to help in their future decision making process.

The Water Policy Interim Committee update is on the website.

**Public Comment**

There were none received.

**The meeting adjourned at 1:06 p.m.**