

**Executive Summary**  
**Montana Land Information Advisory Council (MLIAC)**  
**Thursday, September 8, 2016**  
**Helena, Montana**

**Attendees:**

Members or Designees: Chair Jennie Stapp – Montana State Library (MSL); Dawn Anderson online– State Agency Representative; Tyler Weingartner for Ron Baldwin – Department of Administration; Mike Bousliman online – State Agency Representative; Rudy Cicon – Montana Association of Registered Land Surveyors Representative; Matt Heller – U.S. Department of Interior Representative; and Leslie Zolman – GIS Professional Organization Representative.

Guests: Brian Andersen, Mike Sweet and Ken Wall.

Staff: Erin Fashoway, Evan Hammer, and Marlys Stark.

**Evan Hammer called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m.**

**Approval of Executive Summary – Council**

Without a quorum, the executive summary will be discussed at the next meeting.

**State Librarian’s Report – Evan Hammer for Jennie Stapp**

911 Advisory Council and NG-911

A draft legislation was finished in the spring to clean up the statute associated with 911. There have been some items added and does proposed funding for the legislation. Currently the legislation has \$80,000 associated to access the readiness of address data. MSL would contract with a vendor for this work. If approved, the legislation would be in effect no sooner than July 1, 2017. MSL will continue to seeking other funding sources to move ahead with a contract sooner than that.

Executive Planning Process

The requests pertaining to MLIAC includes a request for \$300,000 general fund money to use as permanent grant funding and additional funding for Natural Heritage Program (NHP).

ESRI Managed Services & State Enterprise License Agreement

The structure will remain the same as in previous years with an added managed services module. Costs continue to go down.

**FY’16/’17 MLIA Account Review and Financial Report – Evan Hammer**

Collections are up slightly from the last couple of year and have started slowly this year. FY’15 grants are closed out. Three of the FY’16 grants are completed with the data already received

so they are closed. The others have been extended. One of the FY'17 grants is lacking a signed statement of work and only one to date has requested a draw. Regarding the account, the goal is to have some cushion in the account each year from expenditures versus collections. There is a definite need for grant money and a buffer to keep the funding consistent is preferred.

### **Census Designated Places Project Update – Zolman**

Leslie Zolman gave a quick overview using a story map of the work she has been involved in for this project. They received a MLIAC grant to look at Montana to see where census designated places can be added and her update provided a lot of information regarding the progress.

### **MAGIP Report – Andersen**

Brian Andersen, the new MAGIP president gave a quick report of the action of MAGIP. All information can be found on their website including new board members, scholarships, upcoming meetings and so on.

### **NSGIC Attendee**

MLIAC will send one or two members to NSGIC. Attendance will be coordinated through Evan.

### **FY'18 Land Plan Work Session – Stapp/Fashoway**

The council discussed the new land plan and what changes should be made. Changes discussed included how to present feedback for the process and the grants, the timeline and how it affects possible applicants, what updates should be done, whether a rewrite is necessary every year or just a review every year and more items of that sort.

The council will try to do a two-year cycle starting now with amendments and review annually and moving the timeline up for the future. Future timeline (possibly starting in FY2018) could have the commission approving the grants in April which would give a couple of extra months to local governments for planning. MLIAC would have to approve the plan in September and the commission in October. The plan will be posted in November and applications due in January sometime. Grant recipients would be presented to the council in March and the commission in April although funding still won't be available until July 1 grant reporting and presentation can be done in May. Moving up the announcement time is key.

### **Council Comment**

Rudy Cicon commented that the cadastral aerial views show a lot with nothing but snow so can old photography be put back in those areas? Erin Fashoway responded that staff is working with ESRI on trying to clip out those 2015 images and put in 2013 for now.

Leslie Zolman expressed thanks for filling the GIS Coordinator position and that it is wonderful to have Erin Fashoway in that role at this meeting.

Regarding membership updates, there still aren't applicants for all seats. Staff has met with the Governor's office that is responsible for board and council membership and encouraged her to take forward the ones that have been applied for which they thought would happen in July. Having heard nothing further, they suspect the campaign season is having an impact.

Evan expressed thanks to the council since it has been a full cycle since he stepped in when Stu retired and he feels he is in a much better position to support Erin.

**Public Comment**

None was received.

**The meeting adjourned at 1:07 p.m.**