

Land Information Council

MINUTES

July 13, 2017

Meeting Called To Order at 8:30 a.m. by Chairman Jim Zahasky.

Members Present: Ethan Remus, April Schoolcraft, Alton Staff, Danny Iverson, JoAnne Forsting-Leonard, Kristina Page, Jim Zahasky and Terry Schmidt.
Others present: Beth Storlie, Secretary.

Next Meeting: To be determined.

A Motion by Terry Schmidt, to approve the April 12, 2017 Land Information Council minutes, seconded by Kristina Page. Motion carried.

Old Business:

- V3 Submittal. The DOA inquired why 3,737 tax parcels are without auxiliary tax classes or property classes. April explained to the DOA that there are various reasons why these parcels have no value but we are working towards cleaning these up. We are awaiting the Observation Report, which should be here by the end of August. This will give us more direction on what needs to be done to finalize V3 and start working on V4. We did receive the first half of the Initiative Grant funds in mid-June in the amount of \$25,000.00.
- April introduced Joe Pilkington, our new GIS Technician to the Council. Joe is working on the Initiative project and parcel mapping. He did the Panda Consulting video training on Parcel Fabric and has begun working on that as well. He's doing a great job.
- Countywide PLSS monumentation project. 31.8% of PLSS is completed satisfactorily. The county boundary, Towns of Garfield, Cleveland, Northfield and Garden Valley are completed. Working on corners as preventative maintenance for road projects at this time. As far as the PLSS project, Ethan is working in the Town of Alma currently. The Surveyor Technician position is currently open and haven't found any viable candidates at this point. Cody Stencil was hired as an LTE summer assistant. He has a degree in GIS with a lot of interest in surveying. Ethan is working with him in the field and encouraging him to pursue the survey aspect. This would require Cody to go back to school for surveying but this could be accomplished through Midstate Technical College in Wisconsin Rapids. The Surveyor Technician position could be re-posted this fall to see if there are any interested candidates.

New Business:

- 2017 WLIP Grant. This year's grant funding was allocated in the application for all the funds to go towards salaries, a portion of the Real Property Lister's salary, fully funding the GIS Technician and Surveyor Technician. Since these latter two positions have been vacant for a portion of the year, we will have grant funds available to be used in another way. He would like to have the LTE salary come out of the grant funding and purchase the large format scanner/plotter. This would require amending the grant application for these changes in 2017. We have received quotes for the scanner/plotter and all are coming in around \$10,000.00 for an outright purchase. We did receive lease option quotes as well. Ethan shared a summary of the WLIP funding with the Council, see report.

Danny Iverson questioned what "Plan B" would be if the amended grant application is not approved by the DOA. Ethan stated that he does have funds built into his part-time line that would cover the LTE salary during the summer and that he has discussed with IT what procedures need to be done to build the purchase or lease of the scanner/plotter into the 2018 department budget. Past practice with the DOA regarding this type of amendment has been that they have approved the changes. These items that we are looking at amending are part of our state approved plan and would aid in the completion of the targeted state projects for the statewide parcel initiative and statewide monumentation project.

A Motion by Kristina Page, to recommend the amendment of the 2017 WLIP Grant application as presented, seconded by JoAnne Forsting-Leonard. Motion carried.

Other Business:

- Hydro layer update. Ayres Associates stated earlier today that they are about 75% done with the data and are completing quality control on the reviewed data. Their plan is to have the data to us by mid-August.

A Motion by Danny Iverson, to adjourn the meeting, seconded by April Schoolcraft. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:00 a.m.

All recommendations and action will be forwarded to the Zoning and Land Information Committee for further action.