



## Monroe County Land Information Council

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Committee: Land Information Council

Date: Monday, January 17, 2011

Location: County Clerk's Office Storage Room

Time: 1:00 PM

Present: Darlene Pintarro, Laurence Johns, John D. Burke, Gene Treu, John Mehtala, Al Hoff, Annette Erickson, Cindy Zinke, Jeremiah Erickson

1. The meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM.

2. A Quorum was established.

Members introduced themselves.

3. Accepted nominations for Chair of the Land Information Council.

Jeremiah Erickson was nominated by Darlene Pintarro

Seconded by Gene Treu

No other nominations

Motion carried

4. Accepted nominations for Vice Chair

Gene Treu was nominated by Laurence Johns

Seconded by Annette Erickson

Gene declined nomination

Al Hoff was nominated by John Mehtala

Seconded by Gene Treu

No other nominations

Motion Carried

5. Review of Monroe County Land Records Department/Land Information Office History took place. A background in regards to the Land Information Council's statutory creation was given. A discussion of the \$30.00 recording flat fee and what amounts are set aside for land records modernization, redaction in the Register of Deeds Office, and the fulfilling the housing element of the statute.

Approximate balances in retained fees were discussed and explanations as to why the amount changes from year to year.

The Base Budget Grant awards were discussed.

The role of the council and oversight of the LIO and whom the LIO is supposed to report to were considered.

6. The Monroe County Land Records Modernization Plan (LRMP) for 2010-2015 was discussed.

An explanation was given explaining who had worked on past plans and how the new plan was collaborated upon. The inclusion of projects in the plan allow for Monroe County to spend Base Budget Grants and certain segregated amounts of the retained fees on portions of the plan. The plan can be updated at any time. We discussed the inclusion past projects such as orthophotography as a result of the 2010 Wisconsin Regional Orthophotography Consortium (WROC) and tax parcel mapping, existing projects such as Light Detection and Ranging (LiDAR) and future projects such as legislative redistricting in the LRMP.

7. Darlene Pintarro – Spoke of GeoLynx and ArcView compatibility. She voiced the need for seeing other layers of data such as mile markers on the interstate and updates to roads and addresses. They no longer have ArcView to view some of the data that is not part of the GeoLynx set-up. John Mehtala said that there are some issues in regards to what GeoComm includes and perhaps data can be added but the source and accuracy of the data need to be verified before its inclusion or addition. Jeremiah Erickson stated that in the last year some departments have got together and discussed the addressing a bit but perhaps there needs to be a review of what our addressing and roads policy is so that we can all be assured that we are working with the latest and greatest data.

Laurence Johns – Talked about the snowmobile trails and the necessity for them being mapped and their inclusion and use by dispatch. Data acquisition for the trailways themselves as well as possibly signing mile markers, identification of intersections and the naming of trails was brought up; Darlene Pintarro commented on Vilas County's snowmobile mapping project. Laurence also talked about possible getting the survey plats online and tied to our Geographic Information Web Server (GIWS) as well as the possibility of accessing deeds and Certified Survey Maps and Subdivision Plats online. The possibility of the inclusion of topographic data or contour lines on our GIWS as well as Soil Survey Data and the zoning permit data which is apparently available through La Crosse County online. AL explained what we have scanned in terms of surveyor files and their existing availability. Members agreed that perhaps other existing County Surveyor Files will also be scanned and made available via the website. Perhaps a policy could be developed to ensure that new surveys and tie sheets that get filed are also scanned.

John Burke – Elaborated on Laurence's need to access information by speaking about our existing ROD-Direct program that is in development and would interact with our GIWS. John discussed some of the hurdles which include our existing file extensions and our file types, the need to do back-scanning and the verification that redaction has occurred.

Gene Treu – Brought up the updates to our PLSS network and its improvements. AL and Laurence discussed our county progress on re-monumentation. Jeremiah spoke of the benefits to continuing to improve our grid work for the base mapping.

John Mehtala – ESRI software maintenance costs. Talked about future server for Land Information Systems and its costs. Jeremiah asked John about the timing of upgrades of ESRI software and its PC compatibility. John explained that 64 bit computers will become the norm and we cannot upgrade our computers to a 64bit system until we all have ARCGIS 10, because our existing version of ArcGIS will not work on a 64 bit PC as it is only compatible with a 32 bit system.

Al Hoff – had no additional comments beyond what was already discussed.

Annette Erickson – Spoke of need to have old tax bills and tax rolls scanned.

Cindy Zinke – had no additional comments but is happy with our website.

Jeremiah Erickson – Commented on the possibility of automatic updates of our GIS data similar to that of the treasurer's office's automatic export of tax and assessment data to our website. It was also noted that Zoning may also have records that also need to be scanned.

8. Discussed 2010 Land Records expenditures and 2011 budget.

9. Decided to hold our next meeting on March 21, 2011 at 1:00 PM and then likely at a quarterly or biannual frequency thereafter depending on need.

10. No additional business/discussion

11. Some items for next time will be costs of future projects and prioritization of projects.

12. Motion to Adjourn at 3:30 PM by John Mehtala

Seconded by Cindy Zinke

Motion Carried