

# Statewide Parcel Mapping Advisory Board

## MEETING NOTES

July 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017  
2:00PM

**In Attendance:** Leslie Pelch (VCGI), Doug Farnham (Tax Dept. ), Billy Coster (ANR), Pete Fellows (TRORC), Annina Seiler (ACCD), Jenny Bower (VCGI), John Adams (VCGI) via phone.

- **Update on Financial situation**
  - Have agency partners engaged as needed and provided financial contacts?
    - Lenny has not received contact from all
    - Chris Cochran was in a meeting with everyone and asked them to forward the contacts to Lenny and Chris, but it might be worth checking in
- **Update on VTrans Parcel Project**
  - Half of the contracts are of large enough money that they need to be signed by the secretaries of Administration and Transportation, as well as ADS and the contractors; at this point all contracts have been sent to the contractors and are awaiting their signatures
  - Task orders will go out; hopefully it won't take the whole 4 weeks to get them finalized
  - The contracts essentially put the 10 vendors on retainer; then the towns will be assigned to vendors by the state based on criteria
- **Review Parcel Program Development Plan**
  - Presentation given by Jenny Bower
- **Need for Legislative Changes (e.g. require surveys for subdivision) – needs, action steps**
  - Legislative action to require surveys for property subdivisions
    - Land records management is developing rapidly across other states, and their work may help to guide our process
    - Key stakeholders and risks will be identified by the time of the next meeting to help inform the development and feasibility of possible legislative action
    - Kendall at the Governor's office said they like significant legislative changes to come in September 1<sup>st</sup>
  - Legally, parcels that cross town boundary lines are considered one continuous parcel, but have different SPAN numbers (property tax is pro-rated based on percent in each town); legislative action could correct or amend this
    - Primary SPAN could go to the larger parcel, secondary SPAN to the smaller one
- **Other considerations**
  - Some surveys may be publicly available (e.g. all farmland conserved with federal money)
  - ANR-DEC may have ideas about some of the flags and triggers that could give notice when parcel boundaries change or are created (e.g. wastewater permits)