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September 2015 Report

2015 Assessment

All Assessor books have been returned and we continue to enter the assessor changes. We are still working on changes at Supervisor of Assessments level and will begin entry at that level soon. The 2014 Sales Ratio Study was received August 25; after all entry is complete township factors will be calculated and applied prior to publication.

2015 BOARD OF REVIEW

The Board has processed 172 Certificates of Error and we have received 15 assessment complaints at this time.

Exemptions

Reminder post cards were mailed and we have had a good response. We will follow up with phone calls later in the year on any that we do not hear from. Governor Rauner signed the legislation that changed the Disabled Veterans Homestead exemption for the 2015 tax year; I have contacted David Strowmat to make sure that we get the word out about the change. We received the revised forms the Department of Revenue Friday August 31 and we have had several calls with questions about the changes. We helped Chris complete the exemption application for the communications tower purchased from the Cervi family.

Miscellaneous

We received the revised contract from DevNet after the changes I had requested and forwarded on to Betsy for review. I am still waiting for more information about loading our data on a laptop or tablet to use in the field. I worked with Chris and Betsy on the deed for the transfer of the Green Diamond Depot to the Village of Waggoner. We continue to work on the coal rights and tax code questions with the County Clerk.

GIS

See attached report.

Cassidy created a map for the newspaper for article on the Simpson Bridge closing.

I contacted Canon for service on the OCE printer on Tuesday tech was here Wednesday.

Pictometry

Anne Miller contacted me this week who is our Pictometry Trainer and we have scheduled training for October 21 & 22. I will send out information to the offices to see who is still interested in the additional training she is offering a basic class and an advanced class. She will also have information about a new product, ConnectExplorer that will be available soon for our use.

Beacon Schneider

I have spoken with Beacon about adding the advertising on the website and forwarded contact information to John Galer.

Cassidy is working on layers to be added to the Beacon site.

We had a brief problem with access to Beacon and contacted support the issue was resolved within an hour of contact.

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Montgomery County GIS

August & September 2015

Finance Committee Report:

- **End of July**
 - Completed
 - Raymond/Harvel Ambulance Service road maps
 - Coal Rights parcels
 - Mapped missing parcels
 - Corrected boundaries and numbers
 - Enterprise Zone mapping
 - Exported and finalized data for Tony Hard
 - Awaiting completed legal description
 - Public requests (25+ in July)
 - Map prints
 - Plat Act Reviews
 - General questions
- **New**
 - Emergency Management
 - Adding to current tornado maps
 - Acquiring flood plain data
 - Improving and adding to 911 GIS data
 - Exploring creating new 911 books
 - Gathering data for the farm bureaus' plat book to be published in the next couple of years
 - Prospective GIS Data Buyer
 - Hunting map company out of Montana
- **Pending**
 - Getting quotes for digitizing old aerial film
 - Filings for parcel divisions
 - Exploring low-cost GIS solutions for local municipalities
- **End of August**
 - Completed
 - Nokomis PD Road Maps
 - Litchfield PD Road Maps
 - Public Requests (20+)
 - Map Prints

- Boundary Questions
 - In-House Legal Description Questions (10+)
 - Checking legal description of filed to deeds for clarification
- **New**
 - Upcoming Pictometry training in October
 - Hoping to add more County Depts. to list of users
 - Sheriff
 - Lakes
 - ROE
 - Adding new data to Beacon online GIS
 - School Districts
 - Flood zone
 - Continued work on 911 data set for new books and new plat books
 - Verifying details are current & accurate
- **Pending**
 - Historic aerial film
 - Attempting to find a low to no cost solution for digitizing the film
 - Nokomis PD
 - Road maps that include surrounding communities

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Yearly

Year	Requests	%	Visits	%
2014	212,673	43.25%	19,471	40.57%
2015	279,028	56.75%	28,518	59.43%

Monthly

Month	Requests	%	Visits	%
2014 March	182	0.04%	19	0.04%
2014 April	4,745	0.97%	466	0.97%
2014 May	13,737	2.79%	1,443	3.01%
2014 June	27,902	5.67%	2,579	5.37%
2014 July	15,889	3.23%	1,907	3.97%
2014 August	16,740	3.40%	2,184	4.55%
2014 September	16,973	3.45%	2,516	5.24%
2014 October	17,809	3.62%	2,870	5.98%
2014 November	48,637	9.89%	2,914	6.07%
2014 December	50,059	10.18%	2,573	5.36%
2015 January	52,028	10.58%	4,010	8.36%
2015 February	20,397	4.15%	3,633	7.57%
2015 March	59,720	12.15%	3,762	7.84%
2015 April	23,470	4.77%	3,115	6.49%
2015 May	57,260	11.65%	3,433	7.15%
2015 June	23,142	4.71%	3,859	8.04%
2015 July	20,753	4.22%	3,084	6.43%
2015 August	21,498	4.37%	3,481	7.25%
2015 September	760	0.15%	141	0.29%

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