

Minnesota Electronic Real Estate Recording Commission (ERERC)

Data and Time Meeting	December 19, 2008	
Date and Time Meeting		
Scheduled:	1:30 PM	
Meeting Location:	MSRS Building, 60 Empire Drive, St. Paul MN	
Attendees:	X – In attendance E – Excused NA – Not in Attendance	
	Jeanine Barker, Lyon County	E
	Teresa Bulver, US Bank	X
	Jeff Carlson, US Recordings	X
	Michael Cunniff, Hennepin County	X
	Robert Horton, Minnesota Historical Society	E
	Ben Marczak, Hennepin County	E
	Eileen Roberts, William Mitchell College of Law	E
	Ryan Tangen, Becker County	E
	Pam Trombo, US Recordings	X
	Sally Kidd, Staff - Legislative Coordinating	X
	Commission	
	Diane Henry-Wangensteen, Staff - Legislative	X
	Coordinating Commission	
Observers/Guests in	Kris Basilici, Carlton County	
Attendance:	Larry Dalien, Anoka County	
	Dallen Miner, Simplifile	
	Bill Mori, TriMin Systems	
	Michelle Ashe, Sherburne County	
	Sherrie Simpson, Hennepin County	
	Note: Others may have been in attendance but did not sign the	
	attendance sheet.	

1. Call To Order

The ERERC meeting was called to order by Mike Cunniff, Chair, at 1:35 pm. Although a quorum was not present, the group decided to discuss issues and items.

2. Approval of Agenda

Mr. Cunniff reviewed the agenda with the group. Although a quorum was not present, the group noted acceptance of the agenda.

3. Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the November 20, 2008 meeting were reviewed. Although a quorum was not present, the group noted acceptance of the minutes.

4. Introductions

Mr. Cunniff welcomed and introduced the public members in attendance at the meeting. New in attendance was Dallen Miner from Simplifile. Mr. Miner advised that his interest was in doc types and noted that Minnesota has the most limited doc types of the 28 states that his company is involved in.

5. Subcommittee Reports

a. Trusted Submitter

Jeff Carlson reported that the questionnaire had been sent out to all MLTA members in the hopes of increasing the response rate, however only one completed questionnaire was received. The response of the questionnaire was similar to the previous received with the exception of a question of fund transfers.

b. County Recording

Larry Dalien reported that he and Kris Basilici met since the last meeting in beautiful downtown Carleton. Mr. Dalien advised that they had gotten to a point that they could now schedule a meeting with Pam Trombo to review work done. Mr. Dalien reported that the subcommittee was still comfortable with having three documents but advised that the e-CRV would need to get done in order to move further. Mr. Cunniff expressed interest in having the subcommittee report back to the group at the January 22 meeting of how the meeting went and of an estimate of how long it would take to do data mapping to the elements that have been identified. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Cunniff asked vendor representatives present of what types of documents that their customer base would put high on an agenda for recording electronically. Mr. Dalien advised that the DEED and then the e-CRV are the primary documents but inquired if there were any other document types that could be easily be authorized. Mr. Cunniff advised that the group had made a decision at last month to move ahead with identifying all the UCBs documents and to move to the next stage of authorize level 2 reporting of those documents. Discussion ensured.

Ms. Basilici advised that a letter had been distributed to all county recorders advising that they would be receiving direction for submission of recording data dating back to January 2008 into the website survey tool hosted by MACO. A letter of directions has been drafted. Ms. Basilici advised that that only testing of survey input remained. Mr. Cunniff expressed appreciation of the recorders association.

6. Funding Strategies

Mr. Cunniff advised that he had met with representatives from the Legislative Coordinating Commission and the Office of the Secretary of the State to discuss funding strategies for this legislative session. One of the options discussed was to not go forth on a specific funding proposal but to monitor how the session progressed along with fiscal issues and if others would pursue legislation to then add on a small component that would be dedicated to funding electronic recording. A second option was discussed of seeking outside contributors. A third option that was discussed was of a contribution from the county recorders from recording fees that are being collected. The forth option that was discussed was to seek possible legislation to seek funding for electronic recording efforts. Mr. Cunniff advised that he had proposed a funding amount of \$500,000 to support the immediate electronic recording efforts. Upon request at the meeting, Greg Hubinger drafted proposed legislation that would enact a surcharge of .50 cents on recording fees for a limited time. The proposed legislation

was distributed to group members. Mr. Cunniff expressed that he believed it would be difficult to contribute in a time of funding cuts and increased demands on services. Discussion ensued. Many of the members and public attendees expressed their concerns with proposal of such legislation and how it would be received by the industry. Mr. Cunniff advised that there would need to be consensus from the industry if it was decided to go forward with such legislation. He also advised that another item that was discussed was to consider inclusion of funding for electronic real estate recording efforts on any legislation that would be introduced regarding real estate related fees by other groups. Discussion ensued. Mr. Cunniff expressed that he was of the opinion that efforts could be moved forward focusing on model 2 for the next year without added funding however that model 3 would not be obtained without funding. Members in attendance echoed Mr. Cunniff sentiments. Discussion ensued. Mr. Cunniff summarized of the understanding of the commitment of the group to still move ahead with in-kind support efforts without any legislation proposed for funding during this next year. The members concurred.

7. Year-End Report

Diane Henry-Wangensteen advised that she has not received any input from members on structure or suggestions. She advised that she will take the bases of the report of the plan of action that was agreed upon by the commission as structure and will work to complete the report.

8. Future Meetings

Ms. Henry-Wangensteen distributed a listing of future meetings of the ERERC. The additional future meetings scheduled are:

Thurs, March 19, 1:30 - 3:30 pm - Board Room

Thurs, April 16, 1:30 - 3:30 pm - Training Room

Thurs, May 21, 1:30 - 3:30 pm - Board Room

Thurs, June 18, 1:30 - 3:30 pm - Board Room

Thurs, July 16, 1:30 - 3:30 pm - Training Room

Mr. Cunniff asked for the June 18th meeting to be rescheduled to June 25 to accommodate a possible schedule conflict and to possibly consider at a later date canceling the July meeting. Meeting schedules can be reviewed viewed at

http://www.commissions.leg.state.mn.us/erer/erer.htm.

9. Other Business Items

No other business items were introduced.

10. Adjournment

Being no other agenda items for discussion, the meeting adjourned at 3:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Cunniff, Chair