

COST STUDY CONCLUSION:

- The 2017 updated annual true cost of operation of GIS is \$81,308 (*Page 6*).
- The average recording volume established by study is 3,021 per year (*Page 7*).
- The average GIS revenue is \$8,072 per year (*page 11*).
- Subtracting the true cost of operation (\$81,308) against the average yearly revenue (\$8,072) leaves a remaining \$73,236.
- Dividing the remainder (\$73,236) over the yearly average recording volume (3,021), the potential increase of the GIS Resolution Fee would be \$24.24 per recording, or a \$12.24 increase from the current \$12.
- However, continuing to use General Fund contributions to cover capital costs removes an additional \$12,083 of required funding, leaving \$61,153. This is the annual amount of additional funding needed to cover the cost of operation of the Carroll County GIS Department. This brings the increase of the GIS Resolution Fee to \$20.24 or \$8.24 increase per recording.
- It is my recommendation to increase the GIS Resolution Fee to \$20, an \$8 increase, with \$19 going to GIS and \$1 going to the recorders special fund.
- A \$19-dollar recording fee distribution would generate approximately \$57,400 in the GIS Resolution. The General Fund would ideally continue to contribute \$13,000 a year (earmarked for capital purchases) and the GIS Revenue's would generate \$8,000. Bringing the total funding of GIS to approximately \$78,400.

Copies of the State Law 55 ILCS 5/3-5018, the Carroll County GIS Cost Recovery Policy and the 2004 WIPFLI Cost Study are available by request.