

OpenStreetMap Foundation

Board Meeting

27th May 2010,
17:00- GMT (18:00- BST)

Dial-in

AGENDA & MINUTES

final

Present: Ulf Möller, Michael Collinson, Henk Hoff, Steve Coast, Mikel Maron (joined during item 3)

Apologies: Andy Robinson,

Minutes of 22rd Apr meeting.
(http://docs.google.com/a/osmfoundation.org/Doc?docid=0AVpHn23-hYdNZGQ5ZzNxaNfNThnc3R3eDNkNw&hl=en_GB and published for public viewing as)

Proposed:

Seconded:

Approval postponed.

MATTERS ARISING.

Review of outstanding action items.

We reviewed and updated the status of action items from previous meetings:

- Andy - European UnionTrademark. Laudit Solicitors payment (Pending)
- Andy - GSoC mentors travel - Liaise with Ian to get invoice prepared.

(invoice to be sent this week)

- Mike/Andy - talk to a lawyer re definition of members and also on the protection and use of our data. General data use and protection viz a vis UK DPA (Data Protection Agency) (pending lawyer contact) (Steve recommended looking at ODesk.com as a possible source for professional services.)
- Mike/License WG - template reply letter is now available for companies asking permission to use OSM data or OSMF services. http://docs.google.com/View?id=dd9g3qjp_9ddvp98q6. LWG should put this on the Foundation wiki and then liaise with Data WG as to effective handling of future enquiries. (ongoing)
- Mike to organise a limited use osmf-announce mailing list. (ongoing)
- Mike - get D & O", Directors and Officers liability insurance quote(s). (pending)
- Andy - NetCologne server/hosting offer - Respond that we are interested in offer but will need to ask the community for advice on exact use. (pending)
- Andy- Companies House system - Get login privileges for Mike (ongoing)
- Mike - Companies House - Confirm whether we should

lodge this Resolution (pending).

- Steve - OSMF website needs better graphic layout - put out the word for volunteers (done - an initial strawman design was put up for comments. Feedback is very disjointed, suggesting that there is much more work to be done on getting community agreement and consensus on defining what the goals really are. We will set up a Working Group. Steve - Propose a remit. Mike will be secretary and will then set up a process for inviting members. Mike - mention in osmf-talk meeting minutes. (pending)
- Action - Andy - Begin registration process for additional trademark as per Frederik Ramm's email. (pending, will liaise with Grant Slater)
- Mikel --> Steve - Data WG - Do a write up on Geodata on what the OTRS ticket system-based procedure is, after the clean-up has finished. (pending)
- Mike - Membership - Ask folks who have unsubscribed from osmf-talk why they did and report back to board (pending)
- Steve email to board@ --> Steve to change some wording and encourage broader participation to opengeodata (pending)

- Migration from WordPress to Posterous ongoing but problematic. If anyone would like to help, please contact Steve.
- Old data will later be available at old.opengeodata.org.
- Mike - follow up on Ian Dees request for membership list for OSMF logo vote software. (done)
- Action - Steve / Technical WG - please answer back-up system questions: (pending, do by email)
 - is the system is sufficient?
 - is it automatic?
 - can wiki and GPX dumps be made available on a regular basis to the general community?
- Andy - Initiate the holding of a first Articles WG meeting (pending).
- Mike - organise a first Communications WG meeting (ongoing)
- Steve - Publish to logo shortlist to foundation wiki for review by members and publicise (pending)
- Andy - Seek professional advice on how do avoid being a de facto employer if we are the recipient of third party funds for humanitarian projects? (pending)
- Mike - Seek professional advice on

OSMF's liabilities and how address them if we are the recipient of third party funds for humanitarian projects.
(pending)

- Mikel - GPSToGo - Ask GroundSpeak who their Garmin contact is.
(pending)
- Mike - Communicate with list owner and liaise with Tom as overall administrator.
(pending)
- Henk - List key SOTM 2010 venue liabilities so that the board is aware of what they are (done: our activities and any equipment/materials we bring to the venue)
- Henk - check with Ivan regarding liability insurance for the SOTM venue, investigate options for cancellation insurance (ongoing)
- Henk - find a place for OSMF AGM at SOTM.
(done, smaller conference room will be available)

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Foundation accounts for the UK financial year 2008-2009

The final accounts have the approval of Andy as Treasurer and were previously distributed to board members via email. He has asked the board to formally record approval, which was given.

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SOTM 2010 Board meeting and AGM

As per previous discussion, to ensure continuity (and conformance with our articles), the board is

proposing to only put up 1/3 (two positions) for voting . However, to make sure we have member consensus, mike will email the OSMF talk to get feedback. We will then meet again 10th June (to be able to give 21 days clear formal notice) to finalise and formally call AGM.

Henk has arranged a venue for the AGM Sunday lunchtime, 13:30.

It was suggested that we meet Thursday before SOTM and organise it around Steven King, however not all board members may be available, Mike to follow up via email. Simone and Richard Weait have a suite near the SOTM venue which could provide a board meeting point.

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Working Group Reports:

- **License / Legal** - Mike

- License change. All base documentation is complete and the LWG is now firmly engaged in informational exercises and implementation only.

New contributor terms setup completed and went live May 12th. All new registrants now agree to license both under CC-BY-SA and ODbL. Our thanks to Matt Amos, Grant Slater and Tom Hughes for the technical set-up and Henk Hoff for organizing French and Italian versions as required by their respective national laws.

[Steve left the meeting]

We are now working on implementing voluntary

re-licensing for existing contributors (Accept or Decline). We will complete review of our time framework next week. The draft is to get voluntary re-licensing going within June and then allow 5 weeks to review the number who respond. If it is large, we will proceed to mandatory Accept/Decline. If it is small, we will continue informational efforts and extend for 5 weeks. During all these phases, end users will still use CC-BY-SA for the current version of the database. The timing of the final stage, cutting from over from CC-BY-SA to ODbL, we intend to leave as open as possible, to allow a community consensus to be formed that we are indeed ready to move, a critical mass of acceptances to have been received, large importers to be formally informed and consent gained.

- Foundation website
license-related,
service-related pages.

The following resources are now complete:

For end users, focuses on current license:
<http://www.osmfoundation.org/wiki/License>

A general orientation to the license change, includes links to the final documentation set:
http://www.osmfoundation.org/wiki/License/About_The_License_Change

A document for existing contributors summarising

why we want to change the license and why we are asking them to re-license:
http://www.osmfoundation.org/wiki/License/We_Are_Changing_The_License

- Microsoft

Jon Gelsey,
(<http://www.linkedin.com/pub/jon-gelsey/2/41/a56>) and Blaise Aguera y Arcas of Microsoft attended our meeting of 18th May and Jon followed up again at our 25th May meeting. The company is interested in being a user of OpenStreetMap data under the new ODbL and wish to do that in a manner that is in keeping with both the letter and spirit of the license. To that end, we discussed a series of "FAQ" questions that were previously presented via legal counsel. It was a good opportunity to discuss philosophy and intent of both parties rather than precise answers. The questions and draft answers can be found in LWG minutes and are intended to be incorporated in the License FAQ on the Foundation website. We will continue to work on some specific issues and have suggested that Microsoft personnel join and engage the general community in our general and legal discussion fora and also consider joining the OSMF.

Of general interest, Miguel ended by outlining what Microsoft are seriously looking at, though emphasised these are by no means firm deliverables. Roughly in chronological

order:

1. Using OSM maps in areas of the world where they are better. Use map tiles as is. This would involve setting up a proxy server so that our own servers would not get swamped.

1a. Potentially set up a map app gallery, offering OpenStreetMap as one view ... in the same way we offer more than one map view.

2. Offer OSM map editing in Bing. Edits would go directly, or cached and then sent automatically, to OpenStreetMap. This would include high resolution aerial imagery.

3. Offering maps based on OSM data according to in-house style-sheets.

4. Service integration, yet to be explored thoroughly.

Mikel said we should ask if imagery could be used in other editors. We also need to inform technical team on item one and get response.

- Nike. LWG is tracking the situation, (Nike appears to have used OpenStreetMap-derived data for a London advertising campaign without attribution).

- Richard Weait has joined the LWG

- **Treasurer** - Andy
Final accounts for 2009 are complete and signed. They will be sent to Companies House to meet submittal

deadline.

- **SOTM 2010** - Henk

[Simone joined the meeting]

Insurance/liability. Henk had a discussion with the venue. In summary, if it is something we do (activities initiated by us) or something we brought in (equipment/materials), then we are liable. Else, they (venue) are liable. Andy is looking at one company for insurance

<http://www.perkins-slade.com/home/> Henk has also found one company that does event insurance, specifically including Spain and will ask for a quote this week.

Current sign-ups: 100 (weekend), 73 (friday) - need to increase

Sponsors: Current: 34.300 euro (2009: 18.300 euro)

Provisional program has been released.

Conference bag, guide etc ongoing.

- **Local Chapters** - Henk

No progress to report but help is needed due to SOTM and LWG activities.

- **Technical** - Steve (absent)

- **Data** - Mikel

Nothing to report. Will present at SOTM, Sunday morning to generate more interest in helping out.

ESRI - Mikel would like to approach them informally re use of our tiles.

- **Articles** - Andy (absent)

Nothing to report.

- **Membership** - Mike

Nothing to report.

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Omidyar

Mikel announced that a new Strategic WG has started with 10 people and has Discussion with Omidyar are part of the motivation for getting this going. Mikel will be in London 17th June (to be confirmed) and will meet Steven. Other board members are welcome.

We will also meet Steven in Girona.

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AOB

- OSMF voted Organisation of the Year by Swedish Cartographic Society
<http://www.kartografiska.se>

Citation:

"The unique combination of involving the users for data acquisition and providing global storage capabilities and data distribution channels has made the OpenStreetMap project an important data provider for map users who cannot afford"

The board thanks the Swedish Cartographic Society

Press release needed. ...work

- **HOT**

Nicolas Chavent and Dane

Springmeyer have just returned from a second mission to Haiti, successfully. Third is planned for next month.

We have started communication channels on twitter and blog. Blog not yet fully launched, but will be at <http://hot.openstreetmap.org/weblog/>

Nicolas is looking into some kind of incorporation for the entity possibly in France and/or USA.

- New OSMF Logo

Mike needs to set current logo set to ?Ian Dees?.

- What is OSMF want to do in their session on SotM?

We have 1 1/2 hours available, normal sessions are 20 minutes.

Data WG - provide time esimage title/format plan to Henk

License WG - provide title/format plan to Henk - Mike will agenda Tues

Strategic WG - provide title/format plan to Henk

- Yahoo! satellite

Yahoo has entered into an agreement with Nokia to provide maps to Yahoo, this may affect OpenStreetMap access to their imagery.

- Google StreetView

Also, Simone met Ed Parsons in Rome. He reiterated that third-party licensing prevented tracing from aerial imagery but Simone understands that there is no

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problem using StreetView imagery. Ed is going to Girona, so we can follow up there.

Date of next meeting

Thursday, June 10th 18:00
BST / 19:00 CET / 20:00
Nairobi / 11:00 MDT Denver

Possible venue for July SOTM meeting:
<http://www.hap-dreams.com/>
Need to check if has Internet.