



# Ohio Geographically Referenced Information Program

## OGRIP Forum Meeting Notes

November 30, 2015

2:00 p.m.

Ohio Department of Transportation, Central Office  
1980 W. Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio

### I. Welcome & Introductions

A. Kyle Schaper opened the meeting and had everyone introduce themselves.

B. *In attendance or on the telephone:*

Kyle Schaper	Cheri Mansperger	Jennifer McFarland
Nelda Sisler Buck	Maureen Grenen	James McDonald
Ian Kidner	Bridget Simpson	Dru Sexton
John Puente	Gary Penn	Melissa Wulliger
Charlie Hickman	Bill Mellman	Larisa Kruger

II. **Acceptance of October 26, 2015 Meeting Notes** – Kyle asked for a motion to accept the October, 2015 meeting minutes. Mr. Kidner made the motion to accept the minutes and Ms. Mansperger seconded the motion. None opposed and the motion passed.

### III. Business

A. OGRIP Initiative is progressing nicely. Statewide map service will be done in a couple months which is state plane, even though most sites are not state plane.

B. GIS User Group Updates:

1) SWOGIS – Ms. Mansperger updated by saying the last meeting was an outreach meeting in October. There were a couple presentations on some entities contracting with neighboring entities like Kettering which provided services to neighboring townships to do GIS for them for cost savings purposes.

2) Greater Cincinnati GIS – Bill Mellman shared that the next meeting is December 11, 2015 There are no speakers scheduled. On December 4, 2015, a couple of SWOGIS members are teaming up with Miami Valley. SWOGIS members are doing is a demonstration on how to use web and global mapping and GIS online.

YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCys-njmJWZwrtMCmROgABw/feed>

Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/CincyGIS/>

3) Central Ohio User Group – Cheri Mansperger stated there was a meeting on November 10, 2015. There were presentations on regional data site which is now called the regional data lab. It was suggested the user groups provide their contact lists to OGRIP and complete the county profile surveys for central Ohio user groups.

- 4) Appalachian Ohio Geospatial Partnership – Jason Piles had a meeting November 19 at Buckeye Hills. There was a presentation on how to do a well tax calculation on the wells across the taxing district. Presentations are not online at this time.
- 5) Ohio Valley Regional Development Commission – Mr. Mellman updated by sharing that on November 10 there was a meeting. Below is a link to their meeting which can now be watched on YouTube or at any later date. All of their meetings will be on YouTube now.

YouTube:

[https://www.youtube.com/results?search\\_query=OVRDC](https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=OVRDC)

Nov 10 meeting:

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SwJK\\_Xm6fJM&edit=vd](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SwJK_Xm6fJM&edit=vd)

Mr. Puente said he is working with Iowa DOT to create a new user group which focuses on ArcGIS collector applications. It might expand and join a group which has a broader perspective on mobile data collection. Right now time is spent just trying to figure out how to structure. They are extending the invitation to this group. If interested, contact him.

- 6) Ohio URISA Update – This Chapter of URISA approved to volunteer to be a pilot Chapter for the Unified Membership Model. International URISA is coming up with a membership model which includes taxing individual chapters with a fee for participating in International URISA. We have a funding source but other chapters do not. This will give our URISA a voice in the future of International URISA. Ken Carrier is now the Workshop Committee Chair and Bill Mellman is the User Group Committee Chair. URISA is going to pilot WebEx and/or GoToMeeting program for the next URISA meeting in January. Meeting or workshops that can be broadcasted on a larger scale and recorded will benefit URISA and other user groups.

#### **IV. Other Business**

- A. Forum Officer Elections – Kyle Schaper pointed out the ballots that were passed around the room and everyone voted on a new Vice Chair, and two new At-Large Members.

*Bridget Simpson* was nominated for vice chair and was unopposed. Ms. Simpson started her GIS career at US EPA, and has since worked at Ohio EPA for over ten years. She is currently the GIS Project Manager at Ohio EPA and has been working in GIS for 15 years. She enjoys leadership roles and has met with success when leading teams and GIS initiatives. She is currently active in URISA and Central Ohio GIS User Group, is actively assisting the OGRIP Forum, and is serving on the OGRIP Council.

Nominees for At-Large Members were John Kable III and Jeff Barnhart. Both were unopposed.

*Mr. Kable*, GISP, is the GIS Manager for Cuyahoga County. Operating out of the Department of Information Technology, his responsibilities include managing enterprise infrastructure, applications, and data in support of all county agencies and commissions. John also leads the Cuyahoga Regional GIS Shared Services initiative, which is working to coordinate the GIS efforts of 59 municipalities as well as multiple utilities and other public and private entities. In addition, John teaches GIS

courses as an adjunct professor of geography at Lakeland Community College. He has been working in GIS for 17 years in both the public and private sectors.

*Jeff Barnhart* is a GIS Analyst/Project Manager for the City of Upper Arlington, Ohio. He coordinates the city's data as it relates to the City's GIS as well as multiple projects. He works with numerous city departments as a project manager for GIS and Capital Improvement Projects. Prior to his return to the City of Upper Arlington this year, Jeff worked as a department head for Damage Prevention and Emergency Operations for Columbia Gas. He has been working in the CADD/Mapping/GIS field for 25 years.

Mr. Schaper asked for a motion to accept the nominees for next year. Mr. Penn made the motion and Mr. Kidner seconded it. None opposed and the motion passed.

Kyle Schaper was presented with a certificate and thanked for his dedicated service this past year.

- B. Discussion on Forum Format and Topics for Next Year –Ms. Mansperger listed a few potential topics for next year: The Open Data Portal is set up but there is still work to be done. There is a need for a committee which will be called Open Data Maintenance Work Committee which was discussed. Jennifer McFarland, Cheri Mansperger, Kyle Schaper and Gary Penn are on the committee with the purpose of encouraging people to utilize open data and encourage standards and tagging. There is a survey that needs to be completed. It is so important to complete the discussed survey. Meeting attendees were asked to complete the surveys first. Once completed, a link will then be sent out asking for the survey to be completed.

Second topic of discussions is the need for presentation on open data, new technology and other items. Ms. Mansperger continued with what needs to be done next year:

1. Parcel standards in hydro
2. Data standards focused on basemap-type data
3. Metadata standards
4. Volunteered geographic information and crowdsourcing
5. User group coordination is arbitrary

- C. Discussions took place regarding the list, moving forward and if this committee likes this meeting format. Presentations and the panel felt having more workshops in the future would be beneficial.

## **V. Adjournment**

- A. A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Penn and seconded by Ms. Mansperger. All were in favor, none opposed and the motion passed. Meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:10PM.

It is believed that the next meeting will be on January 25, 2016 at 2:00PM at the Ohio Department of Transportation, Central Office.