Swiss OpenStreetMap Association Annual General Meeting 2023

Manfred Stock

Friday, May 5th 2023, 20:00
Online, on `https://pub.digitale-gesellschaft.ch/b/pat-6h2-rqy`

Members present:

1. *Raphael Das Gupta* (treasurer)
2. David Haberthür
3. *Roman Härdi*
4. Sarah Hoffmann
5. *Stefan Keller*[1]
6. Christian Nüssli
7. *Simon Poole* (president)
8. Hubert Rüttimann
9. *Michael Spreng* (technical operations)
10. *Patrick Stählin* (press)
11. Manfred Stock

Present members with *emphasis* are board members.

1 Opening and Welcome

The meeting started around 20:05:31.

Simon Poole welcomes the AGM attendees.

2 Election of the minute taker and vote counters

- Elected minute taker: Manfred Stock.
- No vote counters, automatically done by BigBlueButton conferencing software and then minuted.

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[1]Arrived during AOB agenda item, so did not participate in votes.

3 Adoption of minutes of the 2022 AGM

The minutes are accepted with 9 votes in favour and 1 abstention.

4 Activity report 2022

- Only minor changes in membership, number of members still the same (both individual (54) and corporate (6)).
- Question by Hubert Rüttimann: Would we like to have more members? $\Rightarrow$ Basically yes, but only little activity in that direction. Also don't want to create the impression that one has to be a SOSM member to be allowed to map.
- Sent 1'213 "New contributor mails" in 2022, which is a drop by 242 when compared to 2021. Not as bad a drop in new contributors as globally though[2].
- Open Data: No further movement with respect to SchweizMobil and others like VBS.
- Commented on "Bundesgesetz über die Mobilitätsdateninfrastruktur". See section 10.1 for more details on this.
- Events and talks:
  - Participated in and organised several events.
  - Celebrated the 10 year anniversary of SOSM in December with a fondue.
- Project of the Month[3] (PotM), which started in June 2021, is ongoing.
- Social media: We have a Mastodon account[4] and a Facebook page[5] now, too, in addition to the existing Twitter account[6].

5 Financial results 2022

5.1 Presentation by Raphael Das Gupta (treasurer)

- We book the membership fees in the year we actually get them, not the year when they were due.
- The organisation membership fee invoices for 2022 were sent too late, so they will get paid in 2023 and thus don't show up in the income for 2022.
- Being paid for consulting was an exception - we usually don't want to do this. Here, an art project asked the association for support which was then provided by Stefan Keller and they really wanted to pay for this support.
- Membership fee for "Digitale Gesellschaft" for 2022 paid in 2023.
- We made a small profit again.

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[2] https://www.openstreetmap.org/user/SimonPoole/diary/400701
[3] https://wiki.openstreetmap.org/wiki/Project_of_the_month_Switzerland
[4] https://en.osm.town/@SwissOSM
[5] https://www.facebook.com/SwissOSM/
[6] https://twitter.com/SwissOSM

5.2 Auditors report

- Accounting was correctly done.
- The auditors recommend to approve the 2022 financial statements, to discharge the treasurer and to thank him for his work.

6 Discharge of the Board

Board discharged with 7 votes in favour and 3 abstentions.

7 Membership fees 2024

Vote to keep membership fees: Accepted with 10 votes in favour.

8 Budget 2023

- The income is expected to be similar as in 2022.
- There are no big plans, but we finally want to setup the OSMaxx[7] instance, which requires some hardware. We will probably also have to do some lobbying, see section 10.1.
- We do expect a small loss.

9 Elections

9.1 Board

- All current board members stand for reelection.
- Vote if whole board should be elected in one vote: Accepted with 10 votes in favour, we will thus confirm the whole board in one vote.
- Confirmation of board: Board reelected for another year with 10 votes in favour.
- President: Simon Poole was reelected with 9 votes in favour and 1 abstention.

9.2 Auditors

Simon Poole thanks the auditors for their work.

Election: Philipp Hug and Jonas Meier both got reelected in one vote with 10 votes in favour.

10 Any other business

10.1 MODI(G) - aka "the elephant in the room"

- Proposed "federal mobility data infrastructure"[8].

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[7]`https://wiki.openstreetmap.org/wiki/OSMaxx`
[8]`https://www.fedlex.admin.ch/filestore/fedlex.data.admin.ch/eli/dl/proj/2022/2/cons_1/doc_1/`
  `de/pdf-a/fedlex-data-admin-ch-eli-dl-proj-2022-2-cons_1-doc_1-de-pdf-a.pdf`

- Comment phase ended in May 2022[9], but no report available at the time of this AGM.
- Top level goal: "Data for an efficient mobility system".
- Consists of two parts:
  - NADIM, mobility data collection and distribution.
  - "Verkehrsnetz Schweiz"[10], a functional OSM replacement. A project from SwissTopo since early 2019, use likely to be mandated for government bodies and required for submitting data to NADIM.
- Basically anti-Apple and -Google and very much anti-OSM regulation to establish a government mobility/geo data services monopoly.
- Final version likely by the end of 2023, in force in 2024.
- Not clear how it will turn out, currently looks not so good.
- Also not clear what or if we can do anything about it.
- Important subject for 2023 which will keep us engaged.

10.2 Upcoming events

- GEOSummit[11] Webinar on "Open- und OpenStreetMap-Daten in Blaulichtorganisationen" on May 11th, organised by Stefan Keller.
- Regulars' table[12] on May 11th in Zurich.
- Zurich old town cleanup in June.
- Mapathon in Rapperswil[13] in August.

The meeting was concluded at around 21:18:59.

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[9] https://www.fedlex.admin.ch/de/consultation-procedures/ended/2022#https://fedlex.data.admin.ch/eli/dl/proj/2022/2/cons_1

[10] https://www.swisstopo.admin.ch/de/swisstopo/verkehrsnetz-schweiz.html

[11] https://www.geosummit.ch/

[12] https://wiki.openstreetmap.org/wiki/DE:Switzerland:Z%C3%BCrich/OSM-Treffen

[13] https://giswiki.hsr.ch/Mapathon