

Swiss OpenStreetMap Association Annual General Meeting 2024

Manfred Stock

Friday, May 3th 2024, 20:00

Online, on <https://pub.digitale-gesellschaft.ch/b/pat-6h2-rqy>

Members present:

1. *Raphael Das Gupta* (treasurer)
2. *Roman Härdi*
3. Sarah Hoffmann
4. Philipp Hug (joined a bit later, not present during first votes)
5. *Stefan Keller*
6. Jonas Meier (joined a bit later, not present during first votes)
7. *Simon Poole* (president)
8. *Michael Spreng* (technical operations)
9. *Patrick Stählin* (press)
10. Manfred Stock

Present members with *emphasis* are board members.

1 Opening and Welcome

The meeting started around 20:06:15.

Simon Poole welcomes the AGM attendees.

2 Election of the minute taker and vote counters

- Elected minute taker with 8 votes in favor: Manfred Stock.
- No vote counters, automatically done by BigBlueButton¹ conferencing software and then minuted.

¹<https://bigbluebutton.org/>

3 Adoption of minutes of the 2023 AGM

The minutes are accepted with 7 votes in favour and 1 abstention.

4 Activity report 2023

- Slight increase of number of members.
- 1'340 new contributor mails sent in 2023.
- No movement on MODIG², but Swisstopo busy pushing “Verkehrsnetz Schweiz”³, something might happen by around mid-year.
- Inquiry regarding running a Panoramax⁴ instance. Answer by EDÖB said to ask our own lawyers.
- Simon Poole present in Geomob podcast⁵ twice.
- GEOSummit webinar on “Open- und OpenStreetMap-Daten in Blaulichtorganisationen” by Christian Nüssli and Stefan Keller.
- Mapping parties/mapathons in Zurich and Rapperswil.
- “Mapper in Residence” in Winterthur⁶ with Stefan Keller.
- Various interviews given (SwissInfo, GDI).
- Project of the month, unfortunately a bit dormant right now because of technical issues.
- Active on social media (Twitter/X⁷, Mastodon⁸), looking for volunteer(s) to take care of our Facebook presence⁹.

5 Financial results 2023

5.1 Presentation by Raphael Das Gupta (treasurer)

- Some membership fees arrived late, recorded once received.
- Spending below revenue, resulting in a small profit.
- Spent less money than planned, mostly because of spending less money than budgeted on marketing and OSM¹⁰.

5.2 Auditors report presented by Philipp Hug (auditor)

- Financial results and bookkeeping match up.
- Accounting was properly done.

²<https://www.bav.admin.ch/bav/en/home/general-topics/modi.html>

³<https://www.swisstopo.admin.ch/en/project-transportation-network-ch>

⁴<https://panoramax.fr/>

⁵<https://thegeomob.com/podcast>

⁶<https://sosc.ch/mapper-in-residence-bei-der-stadt-winterthur-im-november-2023/>

⁷<https://twitter.com/SwissOSM>

⁸<https://en.osm.town/@SwissOSM>

⁹<https://www.facebook.com/SwissOSM/>

¹⁰<https://wiki.openstreetmap.org/wiki/OSMaxx>

- Funds were used according to bye-laws.
- Recommendation to approve annual financial statement for 2023, to thank the treasurer and to discharge him.

6 Discharge of the Board

Board discharged with 4 votes in favour and 5 abstentions.

7 Membership fees 2025

Vote to keep membership fees (CHF 20 for individual members, CHF 150 for corporate members, both per calendar year): Accepted with 9 votes in favour.

8 Budget 2024

- Income: Membership roughly as 2023.
- Noteworthy spending:
 - CHF 2'000 for merchandise 20 years OSM.
 - CHF 2'200 for Panoramax hardware.
- Proposed result: Loss of CHF 3'375.
- This will reduce our reserves from CHF 13'425 to CHF 10'050.
- Some fixed costs, like membership “Digitale Gesellschaft”¹¹, domains, etc.

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 9 votes in favour and 1 abstention.
- 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 9 votes in favour and 1 abstention.

¹¹<https://www.digitale-gesellschaft.ch/>

10 Any other business

10.1 Connection to French part of Switzerland

- Hard to find and reach people, e.g. for local presentations.
- Will probably try to put some effort into getting in touch this year.
- Maybe get in touch with “Association Francophone des Etudiants de Zürich”¹² (AFrEZ), the association of French speaking students in Zurich.
- Got a connection to “L’associazione dei Ticinesi a Rapperswil”¹³ (ATR), the association of Ticinesi in Rapperswil, via Stefan Keller.

10.2 Upcoming events

- Next regulars’ table¹⁴ on 13 May in Zurich.
- Next Mapathon in Rapperswil¹⁵ on 27 September .
- OSM Jubilee tour¹⁶
- Might do a bigger party on 11 August for the 20th birthday of OSM¹⁷.

The meeting was concluded at around 20:43:39.

¹²<https://afrez.ch/>

¹³<https://www.atrapperswil.ch/>

¹⁴<https://wiki.openstreetmap.org/wiki/DE:Switzerland:Z%C3%BCrich/OSM-Treffen>

¹⁵<https://giswiki.hsr.ch/Mapathon>

¹⁶https://wiki.openstreetmap.org/wiki/Switzerland/The_Swiss_OSM_Jubilee_Tour

¹⁷https://wiki.openstreetmap.org/wiki/OpenStreetMap_20th_Anniversary_Birthday_party