



Winnebago County Geographic Information System

TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MINUTES

February 20, 2025

9:00 A.M.

PRESENT: Justin Kink (Four Rivers Sanitation Authority); Preston McDonald (North Park Public Water District); Jonathan Oelschlager (City of Rockford); Zack Andrews (Village of Machesney Park); Leeana Alcantar (Rockford Park District); Steve Thompson (City of Loves Park); Chris Dornbush (Winnebago County)

ABSENT: Village of Cherry Valley

OTHERS PRESENT: Sarah Stromberg, Steven Gregg, Max Schonberg, Gracey Garner

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 AM

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve the January 23, 2025 minutes made by **North Park Public Water District**: Seconded by **Village of Machesney Park**. Motion passes by a **7:0:1** vote.

ACTION ITEMS

PRESENTATIONS & PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

a) Tech User Group

Sarah Stromberg intends to bring back the Tech User Group meetings after not having been held for several years. They were, and will be, meant to serve as an educational tool to teach GIS users from our agencies, both internal and subscription. They will take place 2-3 times per year.

b) Loves Park Water Department

Mr. Gregg informs the committee that Loves Park has requested the assistance of the R1 to aid their Water Department. Rather than hiring an employee to work with their water department to update GIS data, the R1 will hire that person and Loves Park will sign a fee for service agreement, in addition to their regular R1 dues. Mr. Gregg goes on to make the point that this is the R1 as an agency entering into the agreement and completing the work, not WinGIS specifically, as WinGIS does not maintain its agencies' data.

c) FY26 Budget Draft

The budget draft is purely for review, there will be no vote today. Mr. Gregg informs the committee of some potential changes that could affect the budget total, such as rent price changes based on increased occupancy in the building, updated IT costs, as well as an increase in ESRI licensing.

OTHER MATTERS

Mr. Gregg informs the committee that Web AppBuilder is being retired by ESRI. Max Schonberg created a map using Experience Builder (WAB's replacement) to see if it was possible in order to reduce the amount of confusion and potential anger when WinGIS has to move on from WAB apps. The date for that change is still tbd. Related to the topic of upgrades and changes, it is suggested that perhaps on the Tech User Group's topics could be Upgrading to/Using ArcPro.

Mr. Gregg also informs the group that WinGIS has a new ESRI Representative. Yolanda Richards has replaced Joe Araiza as their representative. This is mentioned as notice to WinGIS agencies to inquire as to whether or not their representation has changed as well.

NEXT MEETING

The next Technical Meeting will be held March 20, 2025 at 9:00 am.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn made by **Winnebago County**. Seconded by **North Park Public Water District**. Motion passes by **a 7:0:1 vote**.

Meeting Closed.

Respectfully submitted,

WinGIS

WinGIS Participating Agencies

Winnebago County – City of Rockford – Rockford Park District – Four Rivers Sanitation Authority -
City of Loves Park – Village of Machesney Park – North Park Public Water District – Village of Cherry Valley –
Village of Roscoe – City of South Beloit – Village of Rockton – Village of Pecatonica

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