

Rice County GIS User's Group Meeting

July 1, 2009

Conference Room 3A, Rice County Government Services Building

Brian Welch- GIS Technician, City of Northfield
Josh Schoen- GIS Technician, Rice County Assessor
Teresa Ennis- GIS Technician, Rice County Assessor
Stan Smiley- Planner, Rice County Planning and Zoning
Michelle Trager- GIS Coordinator, Rice County Information Technology
Niall Johnson- visitor, University of Minnesota Duluth Graduate

- I. Welcome and Introductions
- II. Share any new information on projects
 - Michelle- Rice County has training credits from Schneider for ArcGIS I Training. Would anyone from the cities be interested? Price of book about \$125/person if we held it at Rice County.
 - Brian
 - Working on an updated zoning layer
 - Northfield is working on a GIS website with StrataPoint
 - Will have data for both Rice and Dakota Counties
 - On-line next month
 - Created stormwater subwatersheds
 - Stan- Planning and Zoning would like a layer of steep slopes. Brian said he has created one.
- III. Pictometry Update
 - The Pictometry imagery has been delivered (100 GB). Cities can contact Michelle to arrange getting a copy.
 - They are working on the ChangeFindr portion of the project. Building footprints should be available September 18th.
 - Training- Is anyone interested? (Administrative and User Training)
- IV. Beacon Enhancement Demonstration and User Accounts
 - Data Download
 - More options for mailing labels
 - Links to AEX documents
 - Contact Michelle to set up user accounts
- V. National Grid Presentation and Discussion of Coordinating a Map Book for Rice County
 - Michelle discussed the United States National Grid (USNG): its history, what it is and how to read it. Examples of how Dakota County has used the USNG for mapping were shown. (See USNG.pdf for more details.)
 - Brian presented how he has used the USNG to create mapbooks for the City of Northfield. (See Creating_Mapbooks.pdf for more details.)

- We started to discuss how we could coordinate creating a first responder maps that have the USNG on them similar to Dakota County's fire maps.
 - Brian has created grid lines for Rice County.
 - Brian has a project with set-up that he adapted from Dakota County that could be changed a little to include all of Rice County.
 - Still need to discuss with cities other than Northfield.

VI. Discuss Topics for next meetings

- *More National Grid*
- *County Surveyor*
- *FEMA*
- *LiDAR in SE MN*
- *Easements*

VII. Next meeting October 7, 2009 at same time and place.