



## **Pee Dee GIS User Group Meeting**

Wednesday, February 20, 2013

Florence County Doctors Bruce and Lee Foundation Library  
509 South Dargan Street  
Florence, SC 29501

### **MINUTES**

**10:00**                    **Welcome** - Approval of November 2012 Minutes - **James McCall made a motion to approve – Wes Miller seconded the motion**

**10:10**                    **Michael Herr, GIS Analyst (City of Sumter)**

Faced with the need to provide accurate and up-to-date information about Sumter County's floodplains, while at the same time keeping costs down, GIS makes an effective tool for efficiently handling floodplain inquiries and communicating flood hazard risks to community members. This in turn allows citizens to make better informed decisions concerning flood prone properties and thereby reducing losses to flood hazards.

Michael Herr has been the GIS Analyst for the Sumter Planning Department for the last three years and has recently assumed the duties of the assistant Floodplain Manager. He works to integrate FEMA Flood Insurance Rates Maps with local data as part of a comprehensive floodplain management approach. This approach covers each phase of floodplain development from the initial permitting stage and building inspections to long term record management of LOMCs and Elevation Certificates. His work mapping abandoned and vacant housing in Sumter won him the SCAPA 2010 Outstanding Planning Project Award for the Innovative Use of Technology. He is a graduate of Binghamton University with a Master's Degree in Urban Planning with an emphasis on Water Resource Management.

**11:00**                    **Break**

**11:15**                    **Membership Update, Financial Report & Roundtable Discussion**

**11:45**                    **Lunch Break – Lasagna, Salad and Rolls catered by Stefano's**

**12:00**                    **Bruce Haskins, GIS Coordinator (Sumter County)**  
**Emily Banar, GIS Analyst (Sumter County)**  
**Scott Davis, GIS Programmer (BCS)**

**Sumter County and BCS – an Addressing Success Story.** Our journey from assigning and managing addresses with a hard copy tax map and a scale, to creating and managing single addresses using GIS while maintaining a proper relationship with street centerlines and zip-codes.

Bruce Haskins is the GIS Coordinator for Sumter County, he has been the GIS Coordinator since its inception in Sumter County 20 years ago. Bruce has an Associate Degree in Visual Communications from the Art Institute of Pittsburgh.

Emily Banar has worked for the Sumter County Assessor's office for 14 years. Emily has an Associate degree in Natural Resource Management from Central Carolina Technical College, and was certified as a GISP in 2011.

Scott Davis has been with BCS, Inc. for over 8 years. At BCS, he is the lead developer on The Addresser for ArcGIS for Desktop and Server. In addition, he is the lead developer for Crime and Fire Analysis Tools. Prior to working with BCS, he was the GIS Coordinator for the City of Rock Hill for 12 years where he developed and maintained over 15 GIS based applications which included, for example, Address Management, Building Permits, Cemetery Management, Environmental Inspections and Parcel Search. Scott has a B.S. and M.S. in Civil Engineering.

**12:50**                    **Door Prize Drawing – Apple iPad 4 provided by BCS (Bradshaw Consulting Services)**

**John Jackson won this door prize – Meeting Adjourned at 1PM – Next Meeting 5/15/2013**