



# Dane County

## Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

### Food Council

*Consider:*

*Who benefits? Who is burdened?*

*Who does not have a voice at the table?*

*How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?*

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Wednesday, July 20, 2022

5:30 PM

Virtual Zoom Meeting: See top of agenda for  
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phone.

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#### A. Call To Order

- Present** 6 - Supervisor MICHELE RITT, Vice Chair SHEENA TESCH, BILL WARNER, MARCIA CATON CAMPBELL, SHIRLEY NENNIG, and Supervisor RICHELLE ANDRAE
- Excused** 2 - DANIEL CORNELIUS, and ABHA THAKKAR

*OTHERS PRESENT: Jess Guffey Calkins*

#### B. Consideration of Minutes

[2022](#) 6.22.2022 MINUTES FOOD COUNCIL  
[MIN-165](#)

**Attachments:** [2022 MIN-165](#)

A motion was made by RITT, seconded by ANDRAE, that the Minutes be approved. The motion carried by a voice vote 6-0.

#### C. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

#### D. Elections

*Vice-Chair TESCH called for Chair nominations. RITT nominated WARNER. No other nominations. All in favor, motion carries. WARNER elected as Chair.*

*Chair WARNER called for Vice-Chair nominations. WARNER nominated TESCH. No other nominations. All in favor, motion carries. TESCH elected as Vice-Chair.*

## E. Reports to Committee

### *Work Group Reports*

- *Food Access, Relief & Economic Support*  
No report

- *Food Plan – CATON CAMPBELL*  
*Pre-planning for 2023 USDA Regional Food System Partnership Grant.*  
*Pandemic Food System Study Liaison team has met with Sift.*

- *Regional Agriculture & Food Sovereignty - TESCH*

### *Staff Reports*

- *City of Madison – George Reistad*  
None  
- *Public Health Madison & Dane County – Nick Heckman*  
None  
- *Dane County – Jess Guffey Calkins*  
None

### *Regular Business Reports*

- *Community Gardens - TESCH*  
*Rooted was awarded USDA NRCS (Natural Resources Conservation Service) grant. Grant will fund: community gardens switching water line sources - which will reduce their water bills in half; building raised beds, garden improvements, staff/organizing work – including work to establish new McFarland community garden being created.*

- *Double Dollars Program*  
None  
- *Johns Hopkins Center for a Livable Future - Community of Learning Practice –*  
None

### *Council Discussion*

- *2023 DCFC Budget – Guffey Calkins*  
*All departments have been instructed to complete a flat budget – no increases. The council discussed possible budget amendments to propose. One possibility is partial cash match funding for the USDA Regional Food System Partnership, which would be building off of and continuing/furthering the work of the currently-funded pandemic study.*

- *PIE Food Project Grants – NENNIG, RITT*  
*Currently working on grant process revisions – clarifying grant goals, building in more review consistency.*

## F. Announcements

## G. Future Meeting Items and Dates

- *August meeting date and/or gathering – Aug 31 is tentative meeting date; more info will be sent over email.*

**H. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law**

**I. Adjourn**

A motion was made by NENNIG, seconded by CATON CAMPBELL, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried unanimously 6-0.

*Minutes Respectfully Submitted by Jess Guffey Calkins; Pending council review.*