



# Dane County

## Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

### Dane County Broadband Task Force

*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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Thursday, May 5, 2022

9:00 AM

Virtual Meeting

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#### Virtual Meeting

#### A. Call To Order

*Staff present: Lauren Kuhl, Sharon Lezberg, Josh Schroeder, Alexandra Andros*

**The meeting was called to order by Ratcliff at 9:00 a.m.**

**Present** 12 - DAVE RIPP, KATE MCGINNITY, TODD VIOLANTE, RENEE LAUBER, MELISSA RATCLIFF, BOB WIPPERFURTH, BILL DICKMEYER, JOYCE TIKALSKY, ANDREW HOYOS, JAMES DANKY, PETER WEIL, and CATHY SUTTER

**Absent** 3 - MICHELLE JENSEN, DEANA ZENTNER, and SARAH GHEE

#### B. Consideration of Minutes

[2022](#)  
[MIN-020](#)

Minutes of the April 7, 2022 Dane County Broadband Task Force Meeting

**Attachments:** [2022 MIN-020](#)

**A motion was made by TIKALSKY, seconded by WIPPERFURTH, that the Minutes be approved as amended. The motion carried by a voice vote.**

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

*None*

#### D. Action Items

*None*

#### E. Presentations

*None*

#### F. Reports to Committee

## 1. Broadband Infrastructure Engineering Assessment RFP Update

*Andros presenting*

*RFP has gone out with the final deadline for submittal being May 25th, 2022. Interview for applicants will take place after the submittal deadline with project start date being mid-June. Projected timeline for completion of Broadband Infrastructure Engineering Assessment around six to ten months.*

## 2. Survey update

*Survey results were discussed with the Task Force.*

*758 mail-in responses*

*120 online responses were completed by people who received a mailed survey.*

*2055 online surveys were completed by people who were not mailed a survey.*

*Survey Report from UW River Falls Research Center was initially going to be released to Task Force on May 31st, but with the extension of the survey the report will likely be released mid-June.*

## 3. [2022 RPT-020](#) Draft Outline for Task Force Report

**Attachments:** [Structure of Report](#)

*Kuhl presenting*

*Kuhl reviewed structure of the report with Task Force Members.*

## 4. Review recommendation breakdown

*Lezberg presenting*

*Sharon Lezberg reviewed brainstormed items and Task Force Members discussed changes.*

*Discussion ensued about possible recommendations.*

## 5. Discuss Task Force Extension

*Discussion ensued about Dane County Broadband Task Force extension.*

## 6. Discuss advocacy

*Lezberg, Lauber, and Wipperfurth presenting*

*Task Force discussed different advocacy options, the limitation set by WI state statute, and PSC grant requirements.*

7. Discuss potential second meeting in June

*Task Force discussed potential need for secondary meeting in June. June 23rd discussed as option for the second monthly meeting.*

**G. Future Meeting Items and Dates**

*June 2nd, 2022 at 9:00am - Regularly scheduled Broadband Task Force meeting*

*June 23rd, 2022 at 9:00am - Potential second monthly Broadband Task Force meeting*

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

**I. Adjourn**

A motion was made by LAUBER, seconded by MCGINNITY, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 10:42 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Josh Schroeder, pending Task Force approval