



# Dane County

## Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

### Environment, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee

*Consider:*

*Who benefits? Who is burdened?*

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

*How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?*

*This meeting is being conducted on land now known and recognized as Dane County, Wisconsin. We acknowledge that this land is at the same time the ancestral, traditional, & contemporary land of the Ho-Chunk, Sauk & Kickapoo nations.*

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Thursday, September 11, 2025

5:00 PM Hybrid Meeting: Attend in person at Board Room in the Exhibition Hall at Alliant Energy Center, 1919 Alliant Energy Center Way, Madison, WI; virtual via Zoom.

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**See below for additional instructions on how to attend the meeting and provide public testimony.**

Interpreters must be requested in advance; please see the bottom of the agenda for more information.

Los intérpretes deben solicitarse con anticipación; consulte el final de la agenda para obtener más información.

Yuav tsuam tau thov txog cov neeg txhais lus hau ntej; thov saib hauv qab kawg ntawm qhov txheej txheem rau cov ntaub ntawv ntxiv.

يجب التقدم بطلب خدمات الترجمة مقدماً. يرجى الاطلاع على أسفل جدول الأعمال للمزيد من المعلومات

The September 11th Environment, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee meeting will be a hybrid meeting. Members of the public can either attend in person or virtually via Zoom.

The public can attend in person at Board Room in the Exhibition Hall at Alliant Energy Center, 1919 Alliant Energy Center Way, Madison, WI.

The public can access the meeting virtually with the Zoom application or by telephone.

To join the meeting in Zoom, click the following link (after you fill out the form, the meeting link and access information will be emailed to you):  
[https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_Vux1W-frT3C18sVRBR8xAg](https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Vux1W-frT3C18sVRBR8xAg)

This link will be active until the end of the meeting.

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1-833-548-0276

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When prompted, enter the following Webinar ID: 960 6325 6439

**PROCESS TO PROVIDE PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**IN PERSON:** Any members of the public wishing to register to speak on/support/oppose an agenda item can register in person at the meeting using paper registration forms. IT IS HIGHLY ENCOURAGED TO REGISTER VIA THE ZOOM LINK ABOVE EVEN IF YOU PLAN ON ATTENDING IN PERSON.

In person registrations to provide public comment will be accepted throughout the meeting.

**VIRTUAL:** Any members of the public wishing to register to speak on/support/oppose an agenda item **MUST REGISTER USING THE LINK ABOVE** (even if you plan to attend using your phone). Virtual registrations to provide public comment will be accepted until 30 minutes prior to the beginning of the meeting.

In order to testify (provide public comment) virtually, you must be in attendance at the meeting via Zoom or phone, you will then either be unmuted or promoted to a panelist and provided time to speak to the body.

If you want to submit written comments or other materials for this meeting, please email them to: [lwrd@danecounty.gov](mailto:lwrd@danecounty.gov). Staff will forward the email and materials to members of the committee.

**A. Call To Order**

Sup. Peters called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm

Staff present: Laura Hicklin

**Present:** 4 - PATRICK DOWNING, STEVEN PETERS, KERRY MARREN and COLIN BARUSHOK

**Excused:** 1 - YOGESH CHAWLA

**B. Consideration of Minutes**

[2025  
MIN-257](#) Minutes of the August 21, 2025 Environment, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee

**Sponsors:** Environment and Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee

**Attachments:** [EANR 08-21-25](#)

A motion was made by DOWNING that the Minutes be approved. The motion carried by a voice vote 4-0.

**C. Fund Transfers**

[2025  
FTR-019](#) STREAMBANK PROTECTION TO CHAPTER 49 IMPLEMENTATION

**Attachments:** [2025 FTR-019](#)

A motion was made by DOWNING that the Fund Transfer be recommended for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote 4-0.

## D. Referrals (Resolutions & Ordinance Amendments)

1. [2025  
RES-130](#) AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF SURFACE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM FUNDING FROM WisDOT FOR DEVELOPMENT OF THE LOWER YAHARA RIVER TRAIL INTERPRETATIVE SIGN  
  
**Sponsors:** CHAWLA, BARUSHOK, ENGELBERGER and BLAZEWICZ  
  
**Attachments:** [2025 RES-130](#)  
[2025 RES-130 FISCAL NOTE](#)  
[2025 RES-130 CONTRACT #15927](#)  
  
A motion was made by BARUSHOK that the Resolution Requiring 2/3rds Vote be recommended for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote 4-0.
2. [2025  
RES-131](#) ACCEPTANCE OF A WDNR PHEASANT STAMP GRANT FOR HABITAT IMPROVEMENTS  
  
**Sponsors:** CHAWLA, ENGELBERGER, POSTLER and BLAZEWICZ  
  
**Attachments:** [2025 RES-131](#)  
[2025 RES-131 FISCAL NOTE](#)  
[2025 RES-131 CONTRACT #15928](#)  
  
A motion was made by DOWNING that the Resolution Requiring 2/3rds Vote be recommended for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote 4-0.
3. [2025  
RES-132](#) ACCEPTANCE OF A WDNR TURKEY STAMP GRANT FOR HABITAT IMPROVEMENTS  
  
**Sponsors:** CHAWLA, ENGELBERGER, POSTLER and BLAZEWICZ  
  
**Attachments:** [2025 RES-132](#)  
[2025 RES-132 FISCAL NOTE](#)  
[2025 RES-132 CONTRACT #15929](#)  
  
A motion was made by DOWNING that the Resolution Requiring 2/3rds Vote be recommended for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote 4-0.
4. [2025  
RES-133](#) ACCEPTANCE OF A YAHARA WINS FUNDS FOR COVER CROPS ON BEHALF OF THE BIOLOGICAL FARMER FRIENDS OF THE LOWER YAHARA WATERSHED  
  
**Sponsors:** CHAWLA, ENGELBERGER, POSTLER and BLAZEWICZ  
  
**Attachments:** [2025 RES-133](#)  
[2025 RES-133 FISCAL NOTE](#)  
[2025 RES-133 CONTRACT #15936](#)  
  
A motion was made by MARREN that the Resolution Requiring 2/3rds Vote be recommended for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote 4-0.

5. [2025  
RES-144](#) ACCEPTANCE OF A WDNR SNOWMOBILE TRAIL AIDS GRANT FOR THE  
2025-2026 SEASON

**Sponsors:** CHAWLA, POSTLER, ENGELBERGER and FRIES

**Attachments:** [2025 RES-144](#)  
[2025 RES-144 FISCAL NOTE](#)  
[2025 RES-144 CONTRACT #15939](#)

A motion was made by BARUSHOK that the Resolution be recommended for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote 4-0.

6. [2025  
RES-147](#) AUTHORIZING APPLICATIONS TO THE WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF  
NATURAL RESOURCES RECREATIONAL BOATING FACILITIES GRANT  
PROGRAM

**Sponsors:** CHAWLA, POSTLER, ENGELBERGER and FRIES

**Attachments:** [2025 RES-147](#)  
[2025 RES-147 FISCAL NOTE](#)

A motion was made by MARREN that the Resolution be recommended for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote 4-0.

## E. Items Requiring Committee Action

## F. Presentations

## G. Reports to Committee

A presentation of the Manure Feasibility Study Final Report will be made at the September 25th Environment, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee meeting. The report is attached hereto for reference.

[2025  
RPT-327](#) Manure Feasibility Study Final Report

**Attachments:** [Manure Treatment Feasibility Study Final Report](#)

## H. Future Meeting Items and Dates

The next meetings will be:

- Thursday, September 25, 2025
- Thursday, October 9, 2025 (budget)
- Wednesday, October 22nd (budget)

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

## J. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

## K. Adjourn

A motion was made by DOWNING that the Meeting be adjourned. The motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 5:27 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Laura Hicklin and subject to committee action at a future meeting.

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