



Dane County

Minutes - Draft

Lakes & Watershed Commission

Thursday, November 13, 2014

5:30 PM

City-County Building - Room 354
210 Martin Luther King Jr Blvd
Madison WI 53703

City-County Building - Room 354 AMENDED AGENDA

A. Call To Order

Present: 8 - REBECCA POWER, PATRICK MILES, CHUCK ERICKSON, MARY KOLAR, LYLE UPDIKE, SUSAN WEST, MICHAEL GERNER and MAUREEN McCARVILLE

Excused: 2 - PAM PORTER and KATHERINE MCMAHON

Staff present: Mickey Beil, Sue Jones, Nik Simonson

Others present: Scott Kolar, Jean MacCubbin, Katherine Odell, Tim Roehl, Frannie Rowe, Carl Sinderbrand, Caryl Terrell, Ted Voth Jr.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Power at 5:32 p.m.

Motion by McCarville, seconded by Kolar, to amend agenda item E to take up Res. 391 before Res. 355. Motion carried by voice vote.

B. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

None.

C. Consideration of Minutes

2014 LWC Minutes of Oct 6 2014
MIN-426

Attachments: [2014 MIN-426 LWC Oct 6 2014.pdf](#)

A motion was made by UPDIKE, seconded by KOLAR, that the Minutes be approved. The motion carried by a voice vote.

D. Fund Transfers - None

E. Referrals (Resolutions & Ordinance Amendments)

2014 REGARDING GROUNDWATER LEGISLATION AND CURRENT AND
RES-391 FUTURE REVIEWS OF HIGH-CAPACITY WELL APPLICATIONS

Sponsors: ERICKSON, BAYRD, BOLLIG, CHENOWETH, CLAUSIUS, CORRIGAN, de FELICE, DOWNING, DYE, KOLAR, KRAUSE, MATANO, McCARVILLE, MILES, NELSON, PAN, PERTL, RICHMOND, RITT, SALOV, SCHAUER, SCHMIDT, SOLBERG, STUBBS, VELDRAN, WEGLEITNER, WUEST and ZWEIFEL

Attachments: [2014Res391_groundwater_resolution_dane_co.pdf](#)

Lead sponsor Erickson said that the purpose of this resolution is to advocate that DNR reviews of high capacity wells include analysis of cumulative effects, and that Dane County views water conservation as a priority in making decisions.

Public comment: Carl Sinderbrand spoke in opposition. Katherine Odell, Frannie Rowe, and Ted Voth Jr. spoke in support. Jean MacCubbin was available for information. Caryl Terrell registered in support, and distributed a memo from the Capital Region Advocacy Network for Environmental Sustainability (CRANES) with comments on this resolution.

After Commission discussion, Power acknowledged the general support of Res. 391, and the need for some modifications. Members agreed to refer Res. 391 to the Lakes & Watershed Commission Executive Committee for modifications to be considered at the full Commission meeting.

This Resolution was referred to the Lakes & Watershed Commission - Executive Committee.

2014 2015-2017 DANE COUNTY LEGISLATIVE AGENDA
RES-355

Sponsors: CORRIGAN

Attachments: [2014 Res 355 Legislative Agenda 2015-2017.pdf](#)

Dane County Lobbyist Mickey Beil handed out copies of "2015 New Wisconsin Assembly Members" and Res. 355.

Public comment: Caryl Terrell registered in support, and distributed a memo from CRANES with comments on this resolution.

A motion was made by UPDIKE, seconded by WEST, that this Resolution be recommended for approval with amended language for the Transportation, Land and the Environment Section, starting on page 6, shown below:

23) DNR Budget Reductions: Oppose reductions in DNR staffing that affect Dane County water programs (water regulatory programs, lake/fishery, runoff specialists, conservation wardens, land conservation and parks programs).

29) Greenhouse Air Pollution: Reduce greenhouse air pollution by updating and implementing the Governor's Global Warming Task Force recommendations and increasing funding for county energy efficiency measures. Provide funding for county-level climate action planning, mitigation and adaptation.

31) American Transmission Company (ATC) Requirement: Urge Wisconsin Public Service Commission to require ATC to construct power lines underground to protect Dane County economic and environmental resources while enhancing resiliency and reliability during extreme weather events.

34) Comprehensive Approach to Control Lake Levels: Request the DNR to adopt a comprehensive approach to managing the levels of the lakes through collaboration with affected parties, including dam operators, municipalities and regulatory agencies toward improving natural hydrologic conditions and habitat.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 7 - Chair POWER, Supervisor MILES, Supervisor ERICKSON, Supervisor KOLAR, Vice Chair UPDIKE, WEST and GERNER

Recused: 1 - Supervisor McCARVILLE

F. Items Requiring Committee Action - None**G. Presentations - None****H. Reports to Committee**

Announcements

Kolar said that the latest "Yahara 101" on monitoring and crowd sourcing was very good. Jones said that the MAMSWaP roadway winter maintenance workshop held earlier in the day (co-sponsored by the Commission) was well attended and well received. Friday's winter maintenance workshop will focus on sidewalks, driveways and parking lots. West said that the Middleton stormwater utility referendum passed with overwhelming support for this funding to maintain stormwater facilities.

2015 Budget

A County Board vote is expected on November 17. Power complimented Commission members for their work to maintain important Office of Lakes and Watersheds capacity to engage citizens in water resources volunteerism and communications.

Community Engagement Program Progress Report

Simonson distributed four handouts as part of his verbal report: November 13, 2014 Community Engagement Report, Dane County Watershed Literacy Principles, 2015 Watershed Network Gathering Suggested Topics, October 2015 Google Analytics Report.

Germer excused at 7:31 PM.

Work Team and Liaison Reports (Executive, Water Quantity, Phosphorus Reduction, Chloride Reduction, Green Tier, Clean Lakes Alliance, Each Member Outreach, Chair's Report)

- o Work Teams - No recent actions were reported.*
- o Green Tier – Updike reported that a recent tour of commercial and residential construction sites demonstrated that Green Tier participation is making a positive difference in compliance.*
- o Clean Lakes Alliance -- has a new Executive Director, James Tye.*
- o Chair – Power noted that a positive aspect of budget deliberations is that more supervisors are aware of the Commission and its role. She also reported that Trina McMahan is not able to devote time to Commission service, and therefore the Commission is seeking potential candidates for this Madison citizen member. Power said that there is an upcoming meeting with Chief of Staff Wescott and Land and Water Resources Director Connors about improving communications regarding land and water resources issues. Natural resources-related Committee and Commission leaders have expressed interest in collaborating on issues of common interest.*

I. Future Meeting Items and Dates

Members expressed support for inviting representatives from other Commissions and Committees to participate in the Lakes and Watershed Commission annual retreat.

December 11, 2014 (Full Commission); January 2015 Retreat

J. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

None.

K. Adjourn

A motion was made by WEST, seconded by UPDIKE, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by a voice vote.

Meeting adjourned at 8:53 PM.