



Dane County

Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

Land Conservation 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.

Wednesday, December 3, 2025

5:15 PM Hybrid Meeting: Attend in person at 5201 Fen Oak Drive
Driftless Room; attend virtually via zoom

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

Starting at 5:30 pm, LCC will meet jointly with the Lakes & Watersheds Commission (LWC) and Environment, Agriculture, and Natural Resources (EANR) Committee

A. Call To Order

Chair Downing called the Land Conservation Committee to order at 5:17 pm. Downing transferred meeting logistics to Supervisor Chawla.

Staff Present: Piaget, Hicklin, Reimer, Minks, Rowe

Others Present: Sophia Pientka, Britt Reynolds, Sup. Blazewicz, Phil Gaebler, Steven Greb, Sup. Engelberger, Sup. Furman, Dea Larson-Converse, Alan Levin, Chin Wu, David Clutter, Kate Sandretto, Tai Sandretto-Chang, Trudi Marquardt

Present: 5 - PATRICK DOWNING, YOGESH CHAWLA, MICHELE DOOLAN, STEVEN PETERS and COLIN BARUSHOK

Excused: 2 - KERRY MARREN and SARAH SMITH

B. Consideration of Minutes

[2025](#)
[MIN-426](#)

NOVEMBER 2025 LCC MINUTES

Attachments: [November 2025 LCC Minutes](#)

A motion was made by DOOLAN that the Minutes be approved. The motion carried by a voice vote. MC 5-0

C. Fund Transfers

D. Referrals (Resolutions & Ordinance Amendments)**E. Items Requiring Committee Action**

[2025](#) COST-SHARE CONTRACT EXTENSIONS - DATCP PROGRAMS
[ACT-271](#)

Attachments: [2025_DaneCountyExtensionRequestForm](#)

A motion was made by DOOLAN that the draft Cost-share Contract Extensions for DATCP programs be approved and that the County Conservationist can update the extension request through December 31, 2025 as needed to submit to DATCP. The motion carried by a voice vote. MC 5-0

[2025](#) COST-SHARE CONTRACT EXTENSIONS - COUNTY PROGRAMS
[ACT-272](#)

Attachments: [County Funded Programs Carryover Requests](#)

A motion was made by DOOLAN that the draft cost-share contract extension list for county programs be approved. The motion carried by a voice vote. MC 5-0

Supervisor Chawla recessed LCC at 5:25 pm to wait for the joint meeting to start.

Supervisor Chawla called LCC to reconvene at 5:30 pm.

F. Presentations

Presentation on "The Influence of Boat-Generated Waves on Lake Shorelines and Aquatic Habitats" -
Joint presentation with LWC and EANR

[2025](#) WAKE-ENHANCED BOATING PRESENTATION
[PRES-211](#)

Attachments: [Waked-Enhanced Boating Presentation](#)

Minks and Rowe presented on wake-enhanced boating studies and the impacts wakes have on lakes.

G. Reports to Committee

1. Lake Levels Report - Joint report with LWC and EANR

[2025](#)
[RPT-566](#)

LAKE LEVELS REPORT

Attachments: [Yahara Lakes update 12 3 25](#)

Reimer provided a report on the current lake levels for the Yahara Chain of Lakes.

2. Report: Update on proposed amendments to Chapter 71: Regulation of Icebound Inland Waters - Joint report with LWC and EANR

Minks provided an update on the proposed amendments to Ch. 71. LWRD staff are working with the Sheriff's Department and the Office of Corporation Counsel on draft language and hope to present the draft for committee review in early 2026.

H. Future Meeting Items and Dates

January 22, 2026 or by call of the chair.

I. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

J. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

K. Adjourn

A motion was made by PETERS that the LCC meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by a voice vote. MC 5-0

LCC meeting adjourned at 6:38 pm.

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