



# 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?*

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Thursday, February 13, 2020

5:00 PM

Lyman F Anderson Ag & Conservation Center  
5201 Fen Oak Drive - Room A/B  
Madison WI 53718

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#### A. Call To Order

**Present:** 3 - YOGESH CHAWLA, PATRICK DOWNING and MICHELE RITT

**Excused:** 2 - NIKOLE JONES and JEREMY LEVIN

*Supervisor JONES was not present at the beginning of the meeting but was present as noted below.*

*Youth Governance Member Present: Josh Jerisha*

*Youth Governance Member Excused: Lamees Elhassan*

*Staff Present: Laura Hicklin*

*Others Present: Dea Larsen Converse*

*Chair RITT called the meeting to order at 5 pm.*

#### B. Consideration of Minutes

[2019](#) EANR MINUTES\_1-30-20

[MIN-439](#)

**Attachments:** [2019 MIN-439](#)

[2019 MIN-439 Registration before Co Committee 1-30-20](#)

A motion was made by DOWNING, seconded by RITT, that the minutes of the January 30, 2020 meeting be approved. The motion carried by a voice vote: 3/0, YGP: 1/0

#### C. Fund Transfers - None

## D. Referrals (Resolutions & Ordinance Amendments)

1. [2019  
RES-491](#) DANE COUNTY GRANT AWARD TO THE TOWN OF WESTPORT FOR  
PHASE I OF THE NORTH MENDOTA TRAIL

**Sponsors:** RIPP and EICHER

**Attachments:** [2019 RES-491](#)  
[2019 RES-491 Fiscal Note](#)

A motion was made by CHAWLA, seconded by RITT, that the Resolution be recommended for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote: 3/0, YGP: 1/0

*Supervisor JONES arrived at 5:20 pm.*

**Present:** 4 - YOGESH CHAWLA, PATRICK DOWNING, NIKOLE JONES and MICHELE RITT

**Excused:** 1 - JEREMY LEVIN

2. [2019  
RES-501](#) DANE COUNTY CONSERVATION FUND GRANT AWARD TO  
GROUNDWELL CONSERVANCY (BROST)

**Sponsors:** RIPP and MILES

**Attachments:** [2019 RES-501](#)  
[2019 RES-501\\_Map\\_Brost](#)  
[2019 RES-501 Fiscal Note](#)

A motion was made by DOWNING, seconded by CHAWLA, that the Resolution be recommended for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote: 4/0, YGP: 1/0

*Chair RITT moved to agenda item G - "Reports to Committee."*

## G. Reports to Committee

## Dane County Parks Friends Group Grants Program Information

*Hicklin reviewed the draft program guidelines with the Committee:*

- a. Maximum total project cost of \$25,000*
- b. 25% cash match from the friends/partner organization with a maximum grant award of \$18,750*
- c. applicants must have 501C3 status and be registered with Dane County Parks as a volunteer group*
- d. projects must be reviewed and approved by county parks staff who will have project oversight*
- d. friends group must have capacity to implement the project*
- e. eligible projects include, but are not limited to trail construction or improvements, habitat restoration, signage, benches and food systems*

*Hicklin noted that the grant program information would be shared at the March 7th volunteer summit and that the Park Commission would be the oversight body.*

*The Committee asked that consideration be given to awarding grants to many organizations by limiting the number of grants any one entity could receive at a time.*

*Supervisor JONES left at 5:35 pm.*

**Present:** 3 - YOGESH CHAWLA, PATRICK DOWNING and MICHELE RITT

**Excused:** 2 - NIKOLE JONES and JEREMY LEVIN

*Chair RITT continued the meeting agenda with remaining referrals.*

3. [2019 RES-505](#) AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF LAND IN THE FISH LAKE NATURAL RESOURCE AREA

**Sponsors:** RIPP, DOWNING and EICHER

**Attachments:** [2019 RES-505](#)  
[2019 RES-505 Map](#)  
[2019 RES-505 Overview Map](#)

**A motion was made by DOWNING, seconded by CHAWLA, that the Resolution be recommended for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote: 3/0, YGP: 1/0**

4. [2019 RES-506](#) AUTHORIZING A CONSERVATION AND TRAIL EASEMENT IN THE TOWN OF CROSS PLAINS

**Sponsors:** JONES, RIPP and EICHER

**Attachments:** [2019 RES-506](#)  
[2019 RES-506 MAP Coyle Easement](#)  
[2019 RES-506 Map CoyleIATcomplex](#)  
[2019 RES-506 Fiscal Note](#)

A motion was made by DOWNING, seconded by CHAWLA, that the Resolution be recommended for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote: 3/0, YGP: 1/0

**E. Items Requiring Committee Action - None**

**F. Presentations - None**

**H. Announcements**

*None*

**I. Future Meeting Items and Dates**

February 27 @ Lyman F Anderson Ag & Conservation Center, 5:20 pm or call of the chair

**J. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda**

*None*

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

*None*

**L. Adjourn**

A motion was made by DOWNING, seconded by CHAWLA, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by a voice vote: 3/0, YGP: 1/0

*Meeting adjourned at 5:59 pm.*

*Respectfully submitted by Laura Hicklin. Minutes are subject to committee approval.*