



Dane County

Minutes - Draft

Environment, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee

Tuesday, February 24, 2015

5:45 PM

City-County Building - Room 351
210 Martin Luther King Jr Blvd
Madison WI 53703

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A. Call To Order

Present: 5 - Chair PATRICK DOWNING, Vice Chair CARL CHENOWETH, TIM KIEFER, KYLE RICHMOND and ABIGAIL WUEST

YGP Present: Elly Craig (6:05 PM) and Alder Levin

Staff Present: Kevin Connors, Dave Merritt, Carlos Pabellon, Josh Wescott, Jan Zimmermann

Others Present: Elizabeth Katt-Reinders, Jim Welsh, Gary Werner

The meeting was called to order by Chair Downing at 5:45 PM

B. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

None.

C. Consideration of Minutes

2014 EANR Minutes for February 10, 2015
MIN-595

Attachments: [2014 MIN-595 EANR 2-10-15.pdf](#)

A motion was made by RICHMOND, seconded by WUEST, that the Minutes be approved. The motion carried (4-0-1) by the following vote.

YGP 1/0/1 (Craig not present at this time)

Ayes: 4 - DOWNING, KIEFER, RICHMOND and WUEST

Abstain: 1 - Vice Chair CHENOWETH

D. Fund Transfers - None

E. Referrals (Resolutions & Ordinance Amendments)

**2014
RES-518** AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF LAND IN THE SUGAR RIVER
NATURAL RESOURCE AREA - NEPERUD

Attachments: [2014 RES-518.pdf](#)
[2014 RES-518 Fiscal Note.pdf](#)
[SUB 1 2014 RES-518 Purchase of Land-Neperud.pdf](#)

Gary Werner, Capital Region Advocacy Network for Environmental Sustainability (CRANES), and Jim Welsh, Natural Heritage Land Trust (NHLT), spoke in support.

A motion was made by Richmond, seconded by Wuest, that Res. 518, Sub 1 be recommended for approval.

A motion was made by DOWNING, seconded by KIEFER, that Res. 518, Sub.1 be recommended for approval with the following amendment:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the State of Wisconsin Fund grant application shall not be made for the agricultural land portions of this purchase.

**The motion failed (2/3) by the following vote:
YGP - 0/2**

Ayes: 2 - DOWNING and KIEFER

Noes: 3 - Vice Chair CHENOWETH, RICHMOND and WUEST

**On the original motion that Res. 518, Sub. 1 be recommended for approval, the motion passed (3/2) by the following vote:
YGP - 2/0**

Ayes: 3 - Vice Chair CHENOWETH, RICHMOND and WUEST

Noes: 2 - DOWNING and KIEFER

**2014
RES-544** 2014 RES-544 AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT
WITH MADISON MUNICIPAL SEWERAGE DISTRICT FOR ADAPTIVE
MANAGEMENT

Sponsors: DOWNING, CHENOWETH, KIEFER, RIPP and WUEST

Attachments: [2014 RES-544.pdf](#)
[2014 RES-544 Fiscal Note.pdf](#)

**A motion was made by CHENOWETH, seconded by RICHMOND, that this Resolution be postponed to the March 10th meeting. The motion carried (5/0) by the following vote:
YGP - 2/0**

Ayes: 5 - DOWNING, Vice Chair CHENOWETH, KIEFER, RICHMOND and WUEST

2014 RES-546 2014 RES-546_ACCEPTANCE OF A USDA-NATURAL RESOURCES
CONSERVATION SERVICE GRANT

Sponsors: DOWNING, CHENOWETH, KIEFER, RICHMOND, RIPP and WUEST

Attachments: [2014 RES-546.pdf](#)
[2014 RES-546 Fiscal Note.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Richmond, seconded by Chenoweth, that Res. 546 be recommended for approval.

A motion was made by CHENOWETH, seconded by KIEFER, to delete the community storage account as an innovative practice for RCPP. The motion carried (3/2) by the following vote:

YGP - 0/2

Ayes: 3 - DOWNING, Vice Chair CHENOWETH and KIEFER

Noes: 2 - RICHMOND and WUEST

On the original motion that Res. 546 be recommended for approval as amended, the motion passed (4/1) by the following vote:

YGP - 2/0

Ayes: 4 - DOWNING, Vice Chair CHENOWETH, KIEFER and WUEST

Noes: 1 - RICHMOND

F. Items Requiring Committee Action

None.

G. Presentations

None.

H. Reports to Committee

Discussion on Vienna Digester - Dave Merritt

The Clear Horizons-Vienna Digester was discussed with Dave Merrit and Carlos Pabellon.

Closed Session

A motion was made by KIEFER, seconded by CHENOWETH, to enter into closed session as allowed by 19.85(1)(g). The motion carried by the following vote:

YGP - 2/0

Ayes: 5 - DOWNING, Vice Chair CHENOWETH, KIEFER, RICHMOND and WUEST

Return to Open Session

A motion was made by RICHMOND, seconded by KIEFER, to exit out of closed session. The motion carried by the following vote:

YGP - 2/0

Ayes: 5 - DOWNING, Vice Chair CHENOWETH, KIEFER, RICHMOND and WUEST

I. Future Meeting Items and Dates

The next meeting will be March 10, 2015, at Fen Oak.

J. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

None.

K. Adjourn

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM.