

**2021 RES-334**  
**CREATING WORK GROUPS OF THE DANE COUNTY TREE BOARD**

The Dane County Tree Board has the following mission:

- Coordinate community forestry issues in Dane County;
- Develop comprehensive forestry policy recommendations for Dane County;
- Develop educational efforts on proper tree management;
- Seek public and private funding for community forestry management activities;
- Coordinate demonstration projects;
- Integrate natural resource issues into local and regional planning efforts.

In order to plan effective meetings, a subgroup of members have been meeting as work groups.

A recent update to Chapter 15 requires:

15.04 GENERAL PROVISIONS. (2)(a) All subcommittees in existence as of the effective date of this ordinance shall be dissolved on December 31, 2017 unless continuation is approved by resolution adopted by the County Board and approved by the County Executive. (b) Unless the resolution authorizing a subcommittee specifies a sunset date for the subcommittee, each subcommittee shall be dissolved unless reauthorized by resolution by December 31st of the year following its most recent authorization.

In order to meet the requirements of Chapter 15, as well as the spirit of the Open Meetings Law, the Board seeks to formalize 3 work groups:

- Tree Board Outreach Work Group
- Tree Board Annual Events Work Group
- Tree Board Policy Work Group

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Dane County Board of Supervisors hereby creates three Work Groups as follows:

- Tree Board Outreach Work Group to consist of up to 4 members to address educational outreach to the public including but not limited to the creation and maintenance of the Tree Board website, a social media presence, PSAs, and presentations to the public regarding tree issues.
- Tree Board Annual Events Work Group to consist of up to 3 members to address Tree Board events including but not limited to the annual Arbor Day event and public recognition awards.
- Tree Board Policy Work Group to consist of up to 4 members to address policy work focused on forestry and other tree issues.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that members of the work group will serve only as long as they are members of the Board.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that UW-Extension will provide staff support to the three work groups.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the three work groups shall sunset December 31, 2024.

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED** that Work Group members shall be entitled to per diems and mileage as provided in Chapter 15.