



Dane County

Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

Lakes & Watershed Commission

Consider:

Who benefits? Who is burdened?

Who does not have a voice at the table?

How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?

Wednesday, July 15, 2020

5:30 PM

Remote Meeting: Call 1-877-568-4106

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A. Call To Order

Present: 9 - CHUCK ERICKSON, LYLE UPDIKE, ALLAN LEVIN, MAUREEN McCARVILLE,
MARIA MORENO, DAVE RIPP, CARLY MICHIELS, CHIN WU and PAUL RUSK

Excused: 1 - TRACY BAILEY

Staff Present: Kyle Minks, John Reimer

Others Present: Paul Dearlove of Clean Lakes Alliance, Supervisor Jeremy Levin

Meeting called to order by Chair ERICKSON at 5:32 pm

B. Consideration of Minutes

[2020](#) LCW MINUTES_6-17-20
[MIN-082](#)

Attachments: [2020 MIN-082](#)

A motion was made by McCARVILLE, seconded by RUSK, that the minutes of
June 17, 2020 be approved. The motion carried by a voice vote: 9/0

C. Fund Transfers - None

D. Referrals (Resolutions & Ordinance Amendments)

[2020
RES-102](#)

MANAGEMENT OF THE YAHARA CHAIN OF LAKES TO BALANCE FLOODING RISKS, NAVIGATIONAL PURPOSES AND RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES

Sponsors: LEVIN, GRAY, VELDRAN and RATCLIFF

Attachments: [2020 RES-102](#)

Supervisor Jeremy Levin provided an overview of RES-102 for the commission. Reimer provided background on lake levels and Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Water Level Orders. The orders provide for a six inch range in managing between the summer minimum level and summer maximum. Reimer also stated that the water level orders are a target and that rain events play the biggest role in the actual water levels that people see. Water is not able to move out of the lakes fast enough to constantly hold lake levels within the summer minimum and maximum. Commissioners recommended that the technical working group on flooding and lake levels reconvene.

A motion was made by RIPP, seconded by McCARVILLE, that the resolution be tabled until advice is received from the technical working group. The motion carried by a voice vote: 9/0

E. Items Requiring Committee Action

[2020
ACT-067](#)

LWC 2021 BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS

Attachments: [2020 ACT-067 LWC 2021 Budget Recommendations Draft_Exec.pdf](#)
[2020 ACT-067 LWC 2021 Budget Recommendations Draft Approved 7-15-20](#)

UPDIKE provided an overview of the budget document. Commission members discussed changes including the addition of two aquatic plant harvesters under item I.C., removal of item I.E.2 (floatation inspection) and rewording of item I.G (Fish, Crystal & Mud Lake District).

See attached LWC 2021 Budget Recommendations Draft Approved_7-15-20

The draft budget document will be available on the Land and Water Resources Department website along with instructions on how members of the public can submit budget suggestions. The document will also be shared with organizations and friends groups.

A motion was made by RUSK, seconded by McCARVILLE, that the LWC Budget Recommendations document be amended with the addition of two aquatic plant harvesters under item I.C., removal of item I.E.2 (floatation inspection) and rewording of item I.G (Fish, Crystal & Mud Lake District). The motion carried by a voice vote: 9/0

F. Presentations

Paul Dearlove, Clean Lakes Alliance - Update on CLA Initiatives

Dearlove provided an overview of activities CLA has been working on included volunteer days and education and outreach events. He also provided information on their Resilient Landscapes initiative and the Yahara CLEAN 3.0 Compact.

[2020](#) LWC UPDATE_CLEAN LAKES ALLIANCE_7-15-20
[PRES-017](#)

Attachments: [2020 PRES-017](#)

G. Reports to Committee

1. Lake Levels & Dredging Update

Reimer provided information on the current lake levels and status of dredging.

2. Lakes & Watershed Commission Goals for 2020

Tabled until the next meeting.

H. Announcements

LWRD Public Engagement Quarterly Report

Attached is a copy of the most recent quarterly report covering April through June.

[2020](#) LWRD COMMUNITY OUTREACH UPDATE_APRIL-JUNE 2020
[RPT-144](#)

Attachments: [2020 RPT-144](#)

I. Future Meeting Items and Dates

August 19 @ 5:30 pm

*Agenda Items to Include:
2021 LWC Budget Recommendations
Lake Level & Dredging Update*

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 LEVIN, seconded by MICHIELS, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by a voice vote: 9/0

Meeting adjourned at 7:32 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Kyle Minks. Minutes are subject to committee approval.