



Dane County

Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

Park Commission

Consider:

Who benefits? Who is burdened?

Who does not have a voice at the table?

How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?

Wednesday, February 26, 2025

5:30 PM

Hybrid Meeting: Attend in person at the
Heritage Center Upper Level, 3101 Lake
Farm Rd, Madison; attend virtually via Zoom

A. Call To Order

Second Vice Chair GoForth called the Park Commission meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

Staff Present: Joleen Stinson, Sharene Smith, Alex DeSmidt, Lindsay Koehnke.

Youth Governance Program Member Aleena Sanghvan present.

Others Present: Dave Ripp, Pam Clemens.

Present: 6 - NANCY BOGUE, STEFANIE BROUWER, ANALIESE EICHER, GRACE MORAN,
KRISTIE GOFORTH and DON POSTLER

Excused: 1 - TOM THORESEN

B. Consideration of Minutes

[2024](#)
[MIN-450](#)

Minutes of the February 12, 2025 Park Commission

Attachments: [2024 MIN-450 Park Commission 02-12-2025](#)

A motion was made by **BROUWER**, seconded by **EICHER**, that the Minutes be approved. The motion carried by a voice vote 6-0, YGP 1-0.

C. Referrals (Resolutions & Ordinance Amendments) - None

D. Presentations

1. Property Stabilization Updates:
Fish Lake County Park
Sugar River Wildlife Area
Token Creek Natural Resource Area

Lindsay Koehnke, Landscape Architect, shared photos and an overview of property stabilization work completed in the last year at Fish Lake County Park, Sugar River Wildlife Area, and Token Creek Natural Resource Area. She outlined next steps for these properties to open to the public.

[2024](#) Property Stabilization Presentation 2-26-2025
[RPT-562](#)

Attachments: [Property Stabilization Presentation: FLCP, SRWA, TC NRA 2-26-2025](#)

E. Reports to Committee

1. Discuss Locations for Summer Outdoor Meetings

[2024](#) 2025 Park Commission Meeting Schedule
[RPT-357](#)

Attachments: [2025 PC Meeting Schedule \(updated 2-28-2025\)](#)

[2024](#) Park Commission Outdoor Meeting Location History 2024-2014
[RPT-546](#)

Attachments: [Park Commission Outdoor Meeting Location History 2024-2014](#)

F. Future Meeting Items and Dates

1. Wednesday, March 12, 2025
Heritage Center, Upper Level
3101 Lake Farm Rd, Madison
2. Wednesday, March 26, 2025
Heritage Center, Upper Level
3101 Lake Farm Rd, Madison
3. Thursday, April 24, 2025
Joint meeting with Environmental,
Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee

G. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda - None

H. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

Supervisor Don Postler attend the Wisconsin Arborist Association’s (WAA) Annual Conference awards banquet lunch, where Dane County Parks received the 2024 ISA Gold Leaf Award for Outstanding Landscape Beautification Activities for a partner project with the Village of Dane and Madison College. Adam Alves, Dane County Parks Forester Specialist, received the WAA’s Distinguished Service Award.

I. Closed Session

A motion was made by EICHER, seconded by BROUWER, that the Meeting enter into closed session. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: YGP Sanghvan

Ayes: 6 - BOGUE, Vice Chair BROUWER, Supervisor EICHER, MORAN, Second Vice Chair GOFORTH and Supervisor POSTLER

Excused: 1 - Chair THORESEN

The Commission (or Committee) met in closed session for the purpose of deliberating or negotiating the purchasing or acquiring of property where open discussion of bargaining positions and strategies would discourage bargaining and harm the public's interest in obtaining properties. The authority for this possible closed session is Wis.Stat.19.85(1) (e).

J. Return to Open Session

A motion was made by MORAN, seconded by BROUWER, that the Meeting exit out of closed session. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: YGP Sanghvan

Ayes: 6 - BOGUE, Vice Chair BROUWER, Supervisor EICHER, MORAN, Second Vice Chair GOFORTH and Supervisor POSTLER

Excused: 1 - Chair THORESEN

K. Adjourn

A motion was made by BROUWER, seconded by MORAN, that the Meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by a voice vote 6-0, YGP 1-0.

Meeting adjourned 7:00 PM.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Joleen Stinson, pending Park Commission approval.