



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?

Thursday, June 14, 2018

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: 5 - MICHELE RITT, YOGESH CHAWLA, PATRICK DOWNING, NIKOLE JONES and JEREMY LEVIN

Youth Governance Program: Phoenix Borowski

Staff Present: Laura Hicklin, John Reimer, Susan Sandford

Others present: Dave Janda (Dane County Emergency Management), Jon Becker (CRANES), Dea Larson-Converse (Clean Lakes Alliance), Simon Widstrand

Meeting called to order by Chair RITT at 5 pm.

B. Presentations

2. Risks of Flooding and Dam Failure: The Role of Dane County in Hazard Mitigation Dave Janda, Emergency Management

Janda gave an overview of the Dane County Emergency Management Department and their role with regards to flooding risk assessment and flood response.

[2018
PRES-031](#)

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT & FLOOD RISK_6-14-18

Attachments: [2018 PRES-031 Emergency Mngmnt & Flood Risk 6-14-18](#)

1. Science Driven Lake Level Management for the Yahara River Chain of Lakes John Reimer, Dane County Land & Water Resources Department

Reimer gave an overview of lake level management in the Yahara Chain of Lakes.

[2018
PRES-032](#)

SCIENCE DRIVEN LAKE LEVEL MANAGEMENT_6-14-18

Attachments: [2018 PRES-032 Science Driven Lake Level Mangement 6-14-18](#)

John Becker, representing CRANES, spoke in opposition to current lake level management strategies and expressed frustration that CRANES was not invited to participate in the YLAG2 process in 2012.

Simon Widstrand spoke in opposition to current lake level management strategies and encouraged the preservation of storage capacity in Mendota along with other strategies to help Monona adjust to higher water levels.

C. Consideration of Minutes

[2018
MIN-078](#)

EANR MINUTES_5-24-18

Attachments: [2018 MIN-078 EANR Minutes 5-24-18](#)
[2018 MIN-078 Reg before Co Comittee 5-24-18](#)

A motion was made by DOWNING, seconded by CHAWLA, that the minutes of May 24, 2018 be approved. The motion carried by the following vote: 5/0, YGP 1/0

Ayes: 5 - RITT, CHAWLA, DOWNING, JONES and LEVIN

D. Fund Transfers - None

E. Referrals (Resolutions & Ordinance Amendments)

1. [2018
RES-078](#) AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDS FROM CLEAN LAKES ALLIANCE TO ENHANCE EROSION CONTROL INSPECTIONS

Sponsors: RITT, JONES and SALOV

Attachments: [2018 RES-078](#)
[2018 RES-078 Fiscal Note](#)

A motion was made by LEVIN, seconded by JONES, that this Resolution Requiring 2/3rds Vote be recommended for approval. The motion carried by the following vote: 5/0, YGP 1/0

Ayes: 5 - RITT, CHAWLA, DOWNING, JONES and LEVIN

2. [2018
RES-079](#) AUTHORIZING THE CREATION OF AN EROSION CONTROL
SPECIALIST POSITION AND FUND TRANSFER

Sponsors: RITT, JONES and SALOV

Attachments: [2018 RES-079](#)
[2018 RES-079 Fiscal Note](#)

A motion was made by LEVIN, seconded by JONES, that this Resolution
Requiring 2/3rds Vote be recommended for approval. The motion carried by the
following vote: 5/0, YPG 1/0

Ayes: 5 - RITT, CHAWLA, DOWNING, JONES and LEVIN

LEVIN left the meeting at 7:05 pm.

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

Excused: 1 - JEREMY LEVIN

F. Items Requiring Committee Action - None

G. Reports to Committee

Mazomonie to Sauk Trail Update

*Hicklin gave an overview of the status of the Mazomanie to Sauk trail project and
generally described the process for a rails to trails conversion.*

Borowski and DOWNING left the meeting at 7:15 pm.

Present: 3 - MICHELE RITT, YOGESH CHAWLA and NIKOLE JONES

Excused: 2 - PATRICK DOWNING and JEREMY LEVIN

H. Announcements

none

I. Future Meeting Items and Dates

*The next meeting is scheduled for June 28th. A tour will most likely be held in
conjunction with the July 26th meeting, with an earlier start time than normal (most likely
around 4 pm).*

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 JONES, seconded by CHAWLA, that this meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by the following vote: 3/0

Ayes: 3 - RITT, CHAWLA and JONES

Excused: 2 - DOWNING and LEVIN

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

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