



# 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?*

*This meeting is being conducted on land now known and recognized as Dane County, Wisconsin. We acknowledge that this land is at the same time the ancestral, traditional, & contemporary land of the Ho-Chunk, Sauk & Kickapoo nations.*

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Thursday, July 3, 2025

5:30 PM Hybrid Meeting: Attend in person at 5201 Fen Oak Drive  
Moraine Room; attend virtually via zoom.

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**See below for additional instructions on how to attend the meeting and provide public testimony.**

Interpreters must be requested in advance; please see the bottom of the agenda for more information.

Los intérpretes deben solicitarse con anticipación; consulte el final de la agenda para obtener más información.

Yuav tsuam tau thov txog cov neeg txhais lus hau ntej; thov saib hauv qab kawg ntawm qhov txheej txheem rau cov ntaub ntawv ntiv.

يجب التقدم بطلب بخدمات الترجمة مقدماً. يرجى الاطلاع على أسفل جدول الأعمال للمزيد من المعلومات

The July 3, 2025 Environment, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee meeting will be a hybrid meeting. Members of the public can either attend in person or virtually via Zoom.

The public can attend in person at 5201 Fen Oak Drive, Moraine Conference Room.

The public can access the meeting virtually with the Zoom application or by telephone.

To join the meeting in Zoom, click the following link (after you fill out the form, the meeting link and access information will be emailed to you):

[https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_rOJA5kh8QX20iwsfqwkEVw](https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_rOJA5kh8QX20iwsfqwkEVw)

This link will be active until the end of the meeting.

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1-833-548-0276

1-833-548-0282

When prompted, enter the following Webinar ID: 963 0989 1425

**PROCESS TO PROVIDE PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**IN PERSON:** Any members of the public wishing to register to speak on/support/oppose an agenda item can register in person at the meeting using paper registration forms. **IT IS HIGHLY ENCOURAGED TO REGISTER VIA THE ZOOM LINK ABOVE EVEN IF YOU PLAN ON ATTENDING IN PERSON.**

In person registrations to provide public comment will be accepted throughout the meeting.

**VIRTUAL:** Any members of the public wishing to register to speak on/support/oppose an agenda item **MUST REGISTER USING THE LINK ABOVE** (even if you plan to attend using your phone). Virtual registrations to provide public comment will be accepted until 30 minutes prior to the beginning of the meeting.

In order to testify (provide public comment) virtually, you must be in attendance at the meeting via Zoom or phone, you will then either be unmuted or promoted to a panelist and provided time to speak to the body.

If you want to submit written comments or other materials for this meeting, please email them to: [lwrd@danecounty.gov](mailto:lwrd@danecounty.gov). Staff will forward the email and materials to members of the committee.

**A. Call To Order**

Meeting called to order at 5:30 pm by Supervisor Chawla.

Others present: Grace Wilkinson and Emily Stanley with UW Center for Limnology

Staff present: Carrie Edgar, Alex DeSmidt, David Rowe, Joleen Stinson, Laura Hicklin

**Present:** 4 - YOGESH CHAWLA, PATRICK DOWNING, KERRY MARREN and COLIN BARUSHOK

**Excused:** 1 - STEVEN PETERS

**B. Consideration of Minutes**

1. [2025 MIN-078](#) Minutes of the May 22, 2025 Environment, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee

**Sponsors:** Environment and Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee

**Attachments:** [EANR 05-22-25](#)

A motion was made by DOWNING that the Minutes be approved. The motion carried by a voice vote 4-0.

**C. Fund Transfers**

**D. Presentations**

1. Presentation by University of Wisconsin Center for Limnology on Yahara Lakes Research

Grace Wilkinson and Emily Stanley presented on research conducted by the University of Wisconsin Center for Limnology on the Yahara Lakes.

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Presentation by University of Wisconsin Center for Limnology on Yahara Lakes Research

**Attachments:** [UW - Limnology Yahara Lakes Research Presentation](#)

**E. Referrals (Resolutions & Ordinance Amendments)**

1. [2025  
RES-050](#) **AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF BROOKHILL FOUNDATION GRANT AWARD TO SUPPORT FARM VIABILITY BY STRENGTHENING THE BTEC PROGRAM**

**Sponsors:** DOOLAN, ROSE, POSTLER, FRIES and ENGELBERGER

**Attachments:** [2025 RES-050](#)  
[2025 RES-050 Fiscal Note](#)  
[2025 RES-050 CONTRACT #15884](#)

A motion was made by MARREN, seconded by BARUSHOK, that the Resolution Requiring 2/3rds Vote be recommended for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote 4-0.

2. [2025  
RES-052](#) **AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT AWARD TO DEEPEN THE IMPACT OF THE ORGANIC VEGETABLE PRODUCTION CONFERENCE**

**Sponsors:** DOOLAN, POSTLER, FRIES, ENGELBERGER and RITT

**Attachments:** [2025 RES-052](#)  
[2025 RES-052 FISCAL NOTE](#)  
[2025 RES-052 CONTRACT #15885](#)

A motion was made by MARREN that the Resolution Requiring 2/3rds Vote be recommended for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote 4-0.

3. [2025  
RES-048](#) AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDS FROM THE FOUNDATION FOR DANE COUNTY PARKS TO DEVELOP A CAREER PATHWAYS PROGRAM

**Sponsors:** CHAWLA, ROSE, POSTLER, MARREN, ENGELBERGER and RITT

**Attachments:** [2025 RES-048](#)  
[2025 RES-048 FISCAL NOTE](#)

A motion was made by BARUSHOK that the Resolution Requiring 2/3rds Vote be recommended for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote 4-0.

4. [2025  
RES-049](#) ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDS FROM CLEAN FUEL DANE LLC

**Sponsors:** CHAWLA, ROSE, POSTLER and ENGELBERGER

**Attachments:** [2025 RES-049](#)  
[2025 RES-049 FISCAL NOTE](#)

A motion was made by CHAWLA that the Resolution Requiring 2/3rds Vote be recommended for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote 4-0.

5. [2025  
RES-061](#) AUTHORIZING A MASTER CONTRACT WITH WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TRADE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION FOR SOIL AND WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

**Sponsors:** DOWNING, BOLLIG and ENGELBERGER

**Attachments:** [2025 RES-061](#)  
[2025 RES-061 FISCAL NOTE](#)

A motion was made by MARREN that the Resolution be recommended for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote 4-0.

6. [2025  
RES-063](#) AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE YAHARA WATERSHED IMPROVEMENT NETWORK SERVICE AGREEMENT

**Sponsors:** CHAWLA, ENGELBERGER and RITT

**Attachments:** [2025 RES-063](#)  
[2025 RES-063 FISCAL NOTE](#)

A motion was made by BARUSHOK that the Resolution be recommended for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote 4-0.

7. [2025  
RES-064](#) AUTHORIZING A PURCHASE OF LAND FOR BABCOCK COUNTY PARK

**Sponsors:** CHAWLA, POSTLER, FRIES, ENGELBERGER and RITT

**Attachments:** [RES-064](#)  
[RES-064 FISCAL NOTE](#)  
[2025 RES-064 MAP](#)

A motion was made by MARREN that the Resolution be recommended for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote 4-0.

8. [2025  
RES-065](#) AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF ADDITIONAL GRANT FUNDING FROM WisDOT FOR DEVELOPMENT OF THE CAPITAL CITY TO GLACIAL DRUMLIN TRAIL CONNECTOR PATH

**Sponsors:** PETERSON, ROSE, POSTLER, FRIES, ENGELBERGER, RITT and BARUSHOK

**Attachments:** [2025 RES-065](#)  
[2025 RES-065 FISCAL NOTE](#)  
[2025 RES-065 CONTRACT #15666A](#)

A motion was made by BARUSHOK that the Resolution be recommended for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote 4-0.

9. [2025  
RES-066](#) AUTHORIZING A PURCHASE OF LAND FOR MCCARTHY YOUTH AND CONSERVATION COUNTY PARK

**Sponsors:** PETERSON, POSTLER, FRIES, ENGELBERGER and RITT

**Attachments:** [2025 RES-066](#)  
[2025 RES-066 FISCAL NOTE](#)  
[2025 RES-066 MAP](#)

A motion was made by MARREN that the Resolution be recommended for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote 4-0.

10. [2025  
RES-067](#) ADOPTING THE 2025 - 2030 DANE COUNTY PARKS AND OPEN SPACE  
PLAN

**Sponsors:** CHAWLA, EICHER, POSTLER, BOLLIG, ROSE, MARREN, ENGELBERGER and RITT

**Attachments:** [2025 RES-067](#)

[2025 RES-067 FISCAL NOTE](#)

[2025 RES-067 PARKS OPEN SPACE PLAN REPORT](#)

[2025 RES-067 PARKS OPEN SPACE PLAN MAP](#)

[2025 RES-067 PARKS OPEN SPACE PLAN REGIONAL TRAILS  
MAP](#)

A motion was made by MARREN that the Resolution be recommended for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote 4-0.

#### **F. Items Requiring Committee Action**

#### **G. Reports to Committee**

#### **H. Future Meeting Items and Dates**

The next meeting will be July 24th at the call of the Chair.

#### **I. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda**

#### **J. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law**

#### **K. Adjourn**

A motion was made by BARUSHOK that the Meeting be adjourned. The motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 6:41 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Laura Hicklin and subject to committee action at a future meeting.

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Sau tseg: Yog koj xav tau ib tug neeg txhais lus, txhais ua ntaub ntawv, cov ntaub ntawv uas nyob rau lwm yam kev lawm los sis lwm yam kev pab nkag rau qhov kev pab no, kev ua si los sis kev pab cuam, thov hu tus xov tooj rau hauv qab no—xav kom hu li peb hnuv ua ntej tuaj tab sis tsis pub tsawg tshaj 24 xuab moos ua ntej rau lub rooj sib tham no.

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