



# Dane County

## Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

### Land Conservation Committee

*Consider:*

*Who benefits? Who is burdened?*

*Who does not have a voice at the table?*

*How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?*

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Thursday, June 27, 2019

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:** 4 - PATRICK DOWNING, CARL CHENOWETH, YOGESH CHAWLA and JEREMY LEVIN

**Excused:** 3 - KAY HOFFMAN, NIKOLE JONES and MICHELE RITT

*Supervisors RITT and JONES were not present at the beginning of the meeting but were present as noted below.*

*Staff Present: Shawn Esser, Laura Hicklin, Steven Ottelien, Amy Piaget*

*Meeting called to order by Chair CHENOWETH at 5:15 pm.*

#### B. Consideration of Minutes

[2019](#) LCC MINUTES\_5-23-19  
[MIN-058](#)

**Attachments:** [LCC Minutes 5-23-19.pdf](#)

*CHENOWETH thanked committee for deferring action item 2018 ACT-043 to the June meeting.*

*CHENOWETH thanked DOWNING for chairing the May meeting in his absence.*

**A motion was made by LEVIN, seconded by CHAWLA, that the minutes of May 23, 2019 be approved. The motion carried by a voice vote: 4/0**

#### C. Fund Transfers- None

#### D. Referrals (Resolutions & Ordinance Amendments)

*none*

**E. Items Requiring Committee Action**

1. [2019  
ACT-071](#) APPROVAL OF COST SHARE AGREEMENTS

**Attachments:** [2019 ACT-071 Cost Share Agreements](#)

A motion was made by LEVIN, seconded by CHAWLA, that the Action Item be approved. The motion carried by a voice vote: 4/0

2. [2019  
ACT-072](#) APPROVAL OF COST SHARE PAYMENTS

**Attachments:** [2019 ACT-072 Cost Share Payments](#)

A motion was made by CHAWLA, seconded by LEVIN, that this Action Item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote: 4/0

3. [2019  
ACT-070](#) APPROVAL OF FARMLAND PRESERVATION PROGRAM - NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANCE CANCELLATION

**Attachments:** [2019 ACT-070 FPP Approvals 6 27 19](#)

A motion was made by DOWNING, seconded by LEVIN, that the Action Item be approved. The motion carried by a voice vote: 4/0

*Chair CHENOWETH requested the committee stand at ease at 5:22 pm to allow additional members delayed by traffic to arrive prior to the discussion of 2018 ACT-043.*

*JONES arrived at 5:39 pm. RITT arrived at 5:44 pm.*

*Chair CHENOWETH resumed the meeting at 5:45 pm.*

**Present:** 6 - PATRICK DOWNING, CARL CHENOWETH, YOGESH CHAWLA, NIKOLE JONES, JEREMY LEVIN and MICHELE RITT

**Excused:** 1 - KAY HOFFMAN

4. [2018 ACT-043](#) DELEGATING ADMINISTRATIVE DUTIES TO COUNTY CONSERVATIONIST

- Attachments:** [2018 ACT-043 County Responses](#)  
[2018 ACT-043 LCC Delegation Letter.pdf](#)  
[2018 ACT-043 CostShareGuide Draft.pdf](#)

*Piaget reviewed roles and responsibilities of LCC committee and presented the recommendations of staff. She stated the delegation request was intended to improve staff efficiencies, improve timing and process for landowners and agricultural producers, and was a recommendation of the Healthy Farms, Healthy Lakes Task Force.*

**A motion was made by DOWNING, seconded by CHAWLA, to delegate approval of cost share payments to the County Conservationist in accordance with the approved cost share agreement, change orders or amendments. The motion carried by a voice vote: 6/0.**

**A motion was made by CHAWLA, seconded by CHENOWETH, to grant the chair flexibility to schedule LCC meetings to correspond with EANR meetings as needed to approve cost share agreements and payments. The motion carried by a voice vote: 6/0**

**A motion was made by RITT, seconded by JONES, to grant authority to the County Conservationist approval of cost share agreements with landowners in accordance with program policies and goals set by the LCC and the approved Dane County Land and Water Resources Management Plan 2019-2028 up to \$10,000 in cost share funds. The motion carried by a voice vote: 6/0.**

*LEVIN left at 6:26 pm.*

- Present:** 5 - PATRICK DOWNING, CARL CHENOWETH, YOGESH CHAWLA, NIKOLE JONES and MICHELE RITT  
**Excused:** 2 - KAY HOFFMAN and JEREMY LEVIN

**F. Presentations - None**

**G. Reports to Committee - None**

**H. Announcements - none**

**I. Future Meeting Items and Dates**

*Next meeting is July 18, 2019 at 5 pm*

- Future meeting items:*  
- Discussion of committee tour of conservation practices  
- Staff report on cost share agreements

**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 DOWNING, seconded by CHAWLA, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by a voice vote: 5/0**

*Meeting adjourned at 6:29 pm.*

*Respectfully submitted by Steven Ottelien. Minutes are subject to committee approval.*