



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.

Wednesday, December 3, 2025

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

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

This meeting will begin at 5:30 pm or when the Land Conservation Committee adjourns, whichever is later.

The Zoom link for the two meetings is the same.

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.

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The December 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. Starting at 5:30 pm, the meeting will be jointly held with Lakes & Watersheds Commission and Land Conservation Committee.

The public can attend in person at 5201 Fen Oak Drive, Driftless 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_F605mJ4eSCu0nyDlviycCQ

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

To join the meeting by phone, dial-in using one of the following toll-free phone numbers:

1-833-548-0276

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When prompted, enter the following Webinar ID: 939 1939 7480

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. Staff will forward the email and materials to members of the committee.

A. Call To Order

Chair Chawla called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

Youth Governance Member present: Sophia Pientka

Others present: Sup. Doolan, Britt Reynolds, Sup. Blazewicz, Phil Gaebler, Steven Greb, Sup. Engelberger, Sup. Furman, Dea Larson-Converse, Alan Levin, Chin Wu, David Clutter, Kate Sandretto, Tai sandretto-Chang, Trudi Marquardt

Staff Present: Kyle Minks, David Rowe, John Reimer, Amy Piaget, Laura Hicklin

Present: 4 - YOGESH CHAWLA, PATRICK DOWNING, STEVEN PETERS and COLIN BARUSHOK
Excused: 1 - KERRY MARREN

B. Consideration of Minutes

[2025
MIN-421](#) Minutes of the November 19, 2025 Environment, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee

Sponsors: Environment and Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee

Attachments: [EANR 11-19-25](#)
[EANR_ZLR_Registrations_11_19_25](#)

A motion was made by PETERS that the Minutes be approved. The motion carried by a voice vote 4-0, YGP 1-0.

C. Fund Transfers

D. Referrals (Resolutions & Ordinance Amendments)

[2025
RES-245](#) DANE COUNTY CONSERVATION FUND GRANT AWARD TO THE NATURE CONSERVANCY (MCMEEN TRUST)

Sponsors: DOWNING, ROSE, BLAZEWICZ, DOOLAN, BARUSHOK and ENGELBERGER

Attachments: [2025 RES-245](#)
[2025 RES-245 FISCAL NOTE](#)
[2025 RES-245 AREA MAP](#)
[2025 RES-245 SUBJECT MAP](#)

A motion was made by DOWNING that the Resolution be recommended for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote 4-0, YGP 1-0.

[2025
RES-246](#) ACCEPTANCE OF WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES TARGETED RUNOFF MANAGEMENT GRANT

Sponsors: CHAWLA, ROSE, BLAZEWICZ, DOOLAN and ENGELBERGER

Attachments: [2025 RES-246](#)
[2025 RES-246 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, YGP 1-0.

[2025
RES-248](#)

ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDS FROM AQUA INNOVATIONS, LLC FOR THE
LAND & WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

Sponsors: CHAWLA, BLAZEWICZ, DOOLAN and ENGELBERGER

Attachments: [2025 RES-248](#)
[2025 RES-248 FISCAL NOTE](#)

A motion was made by PETERS that the Resolution Requiring 2/3rds Vote be
recommended for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote 4-0, YGP 1-0.

E. Items Requiring Committee Action

F. Presentations

Presentation on The Influence of Boat-Generated Waves on Lake Shorelines and Aquatic Habitats - Joint
presentation with EANR and LCC.

David Rowe and Kyle Minks, both with the Dane County Land & Water
Resources Department, gave the presentation.

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PRES-211](#)

WAKE-ENHANCED BOATING PRESENTATION

Attachments: [Waked-Enhanced Boating Presentation](#)

G. Reports to Committee

Lake Levels Report - Joint report with EANR and LCC

[2025
RPT-566](#)

LAKE LEVELS REPORT

Attachments: [Yahara Lakes update 12_3_25](#)

John Reimer, Dane County Land & Water Resources Department, gave the
report.

Update on proposed amendments to Chapter 71: Regulation of Icebound Inland Waters - Joint report with
EANR and LCC

Kyle Minks, with the Dane County Land & Water Resources Department,
reported that Land & Water staff are working with deputies from the Dane
County Sheriff's Department and the Office of Corporation Counsel on draft text
to update the ordinance and hope to present the draft for committee review in
early 2026.

H. Future Meeting Items and Dates

The next meeting will be January 8, 2026 or 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 PETERS that the be adjourned. The motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 pm.

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

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