



# Dane County

## Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

### Executive 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, September 4, 2025

5:00 PM

Hybrid meeting; attend in person at the City County Building, Room 354; 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.

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The September 4, 2025, Executive 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 City-County Bldg., 210 MLK, Jr. Blvd, Madison, WI, 53703. Room 354.

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

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**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: [MacKinnon.Lisa@danecounty.gov](mailto:MacKinnon.Lisa@danecounty.gov). Staff will forward the email and materials to members of the committee.

**A. Call To Order**

The meeting was called to order at 5:03 PM. Also present: Supervisors Rose, Ritt, Boetcher; Staff: Moffitt, MacKinnon.

Chair Kemp indicated that due to the large number of registrants on agenda items and the need to address all agenda items in a timely manner, he would invoke DCO Ch 7.225(2)(a), assuming unanimous consent by the committee, to limit public testimony to three minutes instead of five minutes per person, per item. There was no objection.

There was a large volume of registrations from the public on 2025 RES-119. The registration report is attached with the minutes from this meeting.

**Present:** 6 - PATRICK MILES, MICHAEL ENGELBERGER, KIERSTIN HUELSEMAN, DON POSTLER, CHAD KEMP and STEVEN PETERS

**Excused:** 1 - ANTHONY GRAY

**B. Consideration of Minutes**

[2025](#)  
[MIN-259](#)

MINUTES OF THE 8-13-25 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

**Attachments:** [2025 MIN-259](#)

A motion was made by ENGELBERGER that the minutes be approved. The motion carried by a voice vote.

**C. Fund Transfers**

NONE

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

1. [2025](#) AMENDING CHAPTER 6 OF THE DANE COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES,  
[OA-008](#) REGARDING FILLING SUPERVISORY VACANCIES

**Sponsors:** FRIES and ENGELBERGER

**Attachments:** [2025 OA-008](#)

Supervisor Fries, the sponsor of 2025 OA-008, spoke to the committee and requested postponement to Sept 18th in order to amend and refine the OA based on concerns regarding the unintended effects of the OA. He outlined his intentions for the OA and some unintended impacts that have been raised, which he'd like to try to rectify before the Executive Committee and County Board take action on it.

**A motion was made by ENGELBERGER that the ordinance be postponed to the Executive Committee, due back by 9/18/2025. The motion carried by a voice vote.**

2. [2025 RES-119](#) CALLING ON WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, TRADE, AND CONSUMER PROTECTION (DATCP) TO REVOKE RIDGLAN FARMS' COMMERCIAL DOG BREEDER LICENSE AND PLACE DOGS IN CUSTODIAL CARE DURING ONGOING INVESTIGATION

**Sponsors:** BOETCHER, BLAZEWICZ, ROSE and RITT

**Attachments:** [2025 RES-119](#)  
[2025 RES-119 Fiscal Note](#)

Supervisors Ritt and Rose, co-sponsors of 2025 RES-119, with Sups. Boetcher and Blaziewicz, spoke and requested a postponement of action on this item until October 23rd in order to work on additional refinements /amendments to the resolution. Supervisor Downing spoke in support of this postponement.

Despite the postponement, the Chair indicated that those who still wished to give testimony on the agenda item tonight instead of waiting until the October 23rd meeting of the Executive Committee were welcome to do so.

Those who spoke in support of the resolution:  
Amy van Aartsen, Scarlet Strakova, Steffen Seitz, Lawrence Cuneaz, Ryan Blum, Jennifer Jones, and Dawn Eberhardt.

Those who spoke in opposition to the resolution:  
Becky Rokitoski and Eric McLeod (Representing Ridglan Farms).

See the attached Registration Report for 9-4-25 for the full list of registrants.

A motion was made by MILES that the resolution be postponed to the Executive Committee, due back by 10/23/2025. The motion carried by a voice vote.

## **E. Items Requiring Committee Action**

NONE

## **F. Presentations**

NONE

## **G. Reports to Committee**

NONE

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

Next committee meeting is scheduled for September 18, 2025, at 5:30 PM in CCB room 354.

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

NONE

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

NONE

**K. Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:50 PM.

**A motion was made by PETERS that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by a voice vote.**

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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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