



# 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?*

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Thursday, January 25, 2024

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.**

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

*This meeting will begin at 5:30 pm or when the Land Conservation Committee adjourns; whichever is later. The zoom link and room location are the same for both the Land Conservation Committee meeting and the Environment, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee meeting.*

*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 ntxiv.*

This 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, Madison, WI 53718.

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\\_ym4xo2fZQ8-p5zWS9cEPdQ](https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_ym4xo2fZQ8-p5zWS9cEPdQ)

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

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

1-833-548-0276

1-833-548-0282

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When prompted, enter the following Webinar ID: 916 9060 7290

**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 a written comment for this meeting, or send handouts for board members, please send them to: [lwr@countyofdane.com](mailto:lwr@countyofdane.com)

## A. Call To Order

Vice-Chair Smith called the meeting to order at 5:36 pm.

YGP Members present: Olivia Morsbach

YGP Members excused: Josh Leslie

Others present: Steve Glass

Staff present: Steve Ottelien, Amy Piaget

**Present:** 4 - PATRICK DOWNING, HOLLY HATCHER, AARON COLLINS and SARAH SMITH

**Excused:** 1 - YOGESH CHAWLA

## B. Minutes

1. [2023  
MIN-423](#) Minutes of the December 6, 2023 Environment, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee

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

**Attachments:** [EANR 12-6-23](#)

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

## C. Fund Transfers

1. [2023  
FTR-045](#) FRIENDS GRANTS PROGRAM FUND TRANSFER

**Attachments:** [2023 ftr-045](#)

A motion was made by HATCHER, seconded by COLLINS, that the Fund Transfer be recommended for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote 4-0, YGP 1-0.

2. [2023  
FTR-046](#) FRIENDS LTE LAND MANAGEMENT FUND TRANSFER

**Attachments:** [FUND TRANSFER REQUEST FORM WITH INSTRUCTIONS-Lake View Hill FINAL.pdf](#)

A motion was made by HATCHER, seconded by COLLINS, that the Fund Transfer be recommended for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote 4-0, YGP 1-0.

3. [2023  
FTR-048](#) TIMBER MANAGEMENT LAND RESTORATION SPECIALIST FUND TRANSFER

**Attachments:** [2023 FTR-048](#)

A motion was made by HATCHER, seconded by COLLINS, that the Fund Transfer be recommended for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote 4-0, YGP 1-0.

## D. Referrals (Resolutions & Ordinance Amendments)

[2023  
RES-291](#) ACCEPTANCE OF A STATE OF WI DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL  
RESOURCES LAKE MONITORING & PROTECTION GRANT

**Sponsors:** CHAWLA, RIPP and HATCHER

**Attachments:** [2023 RES-291](#)  
[2023 RES-291 FISCAL NOTE](#)  
[2023 RES-291 CONTRACT #15281](#)

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

[2023  
RES-295](#) ACCEPTANCE OF A NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF CONSERVATION  
DISTRICTS 2023 TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE GRANT

**Sponsors:** CHAWLA

**Attachments:** [2023 RES-295](#)  
[2023 RES-295 FISCAL NOTE](#)  
[2023 RES-295 CONTRACT #15282](#)

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

[2023  
RES-296](#) AUTHORIZING EMERGENCY FIRE WARDENS FOR DANE COUNTY  
FOR THE YEAR 2024

**Sponsors:** CHAWLA

**Attachments:** [2023 RES-296](#)

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

[2023  
RES-301](#) AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF DONATED FUNDS FROM THE  
FRIENDS OF PHEASANT BRANCH CONSERVANCY

**Sponsors:** CHAWLA, RIPP and HATCHER

**Attachments:** [2023 RES-301](#)  
[2023 RES-301 FISCAL NOTE](#)

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

[2023  
RES-302](#) AUTHORIZING ADDENDUMS TO PURCHASE OF SERVICES  
AGREEMENTS WITH OPERATION FRESH START INC FOR 2024  
CONSERVATION CREWS

**Sponsors:** CHAWLA, HUELSEMANN and HATCHER

**Attachments:** [2023 RES-302](#)  
[2023 RES-302 FISCAL NOTE](#)  
[2023 RES-302 CONTRACT #13649E](#)  
[2023 RES-302 CONTRACT #14530C](#)

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

[2023  
RES-304](#) ACCEPTING DONATIONS FOR PHEASANT BRANCH CONSERVANCY  
RESTORATION

**Sponsors:** CHAWLA, RIPP and HATCHER

**Attachments:** [2023 RES-304](#)  
[2023 RES-304 FISCAL NOTE](#)

A motion was made by HATCHER, seconded by DOWNING, 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

## G. Reports to Committee

## H. Future Meeting Items and Dates

The next meeting will be on February 8, 2024 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 HATCHER, seconded by DOWNING, that the be adjourned. The motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 5:59 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Steven Ottelien and Laura Hicklin and subject to committee approval at a future meeting.

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