



# Dane County

## Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

### Lakes & Watershed Commission

*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 14, 2018

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:** 6 - PAM PORTER, REBECCA POWER, LYLE UPDIKE, MARIA MORENO, DAVE RIPP and ALLAN LEVIN

**Absent:** 4 - CHUCK ERICKSON, MARY KOLAR, SUSAN WEST and MAUREEN McCARVILLE

*KOLAR, WEST and ERICKSON were not present at the beginning of the meeting but were present as noted below.*

*Staff Present: Susan Sandford, John Reimer, Laura Hicklin*

*Others Present: Dave Janda (Dane County Emergency Management), Jon Becker (CRANES), Dea Larson-Converse (Clean Lakes Alliance) and Simon Widstrand*

*Meeting called to order by Chair PORTER at 5:03 pm.*

#### B. Presentations

##### 2. Risks of Flooding and Dam Failure: The Role of Dane County in Hazard Mitigation Dave Janda, Emergency Management

*Janda gave an overview of the Dane County Emergency Management Department and their role with regards to flooding risk assessment and flood response.*

[2018  
PRES-031](#)

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT & FLOOD RISK\_6-14-18

**Attachments:** [2018 PRES-031 Emergency Mngmnt & Flood Risk 6-14-18](#)

*ERICKSON arrived at 5:06 pm. WEST and KOLAR arrived at 5:20 pm.*

**Present:** 9 - PAM PORTER, REBECCA POWER, CHUCK ERICKSON, MARY KOLAR, LYLE UPDIKE, SUSAN WEST, MARIA MORENO, DAVE RIPP and ALLAN LEVIN

**Absent:** 1 - MAUREEN McCARVILLE

## 1. Science Driven Lake Level Management for the Yahara River Chain of Lakes John Reimer, Dane County Land & Water Resources Department

*Reimer gave an overview of lake level management in the Yahara Chain of Lakes.*

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PRES-032](#)

### SCIENCE DRIVEN LAKE LEVEL MANAGEMENT\_6-14-18

**Attachments:** [2018 PRES-032 Science Driven Lake Level Mangement 6-14-18](#)

*John Becker, representing CRANES, spoke in opposition to current lake level management strategies and expressed frustration that CRANES was not invited to participate in the YLAG2 process in 2012.*

*Simon Widstrand spoke in opposition to current lake level management strategies and encouraged the preservation of storage capacity in Mendota along with other strategies to help Monona adjust to higher water levels.*

*KOLAR left at 6:30 pm.*

**Present:** 8 - PAM PORTER, REBECCA POWER, CHUCK ERICKSON, LYLE UPDIKE, SUSAN WEST, MARIA MORENO, DAVE RIPP and ALLAN LEVIN

**Excused:** 1 - MARY KOLAR

**Absent:** 1 - MAUREEN McCARVILLE

## C. Consideration of Minutes

[2018  
MIN-060](#)

### LWC MINUTES\_5-10-18

**Attachments:** [2018 MIN-060 LWC Minutes 5-10-18](#)

**A motion was made by MORENO, seconded by WEST, that the minutes of May 10, 2018 be approved. The motion carried by the following vote: 8/0**

**Ayes:** 8 - Chair PORTER, POWER, Supervisor ERICKSON, Vice Chair UPDIKE, WEST, MORENO, Supervisor RIPP and LEVIN

**Excused:** 1 - Supervisor KOLAR

**Absent:** 1 - Supervisor McCARVILLE

#### **D. Fund Transfers - None**

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

*none*

#### **F. Items Requiring Committee Action - None**

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

##### **1. Executive Committee - 2019 Budget Planning**

*The commission is planning to have a final budget published for public hearing by July 5. The public hearing would occur during the July 19th commission meeting. Commissioners should have their budget ideas to PORTER and WEST by June 28th.*

##### **2. Work Group Budget Recommendations Discussion**

*•Equity and Inclusion Work Group – would like Wes Sparkman to give an update on county-wide progress. They would also like an update on the LWRD equity and inclusion plan. The work group would like to have a future meeting at Centro Hispano or the Catholic Multicultural Center. One budget idea is to help expand the Lake Explorers camp to new areas and to get DOTS kids for these camps.*

*•Healthy Farms, Healthy Lakes – met in June. They hope to vote on recommendations at the August meeting.*

*•No other work groups met.*

##### **3. Community Engagement Report**

*Sanford highlighted the storm drain mural program and the new story map site. Ten additional murals will be painted over the summer.*

#### **H. Announcement**

*•Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources staff awarded the Dane County Land and Water Resource Department a Fisheries Management External Partner Award.*

*•Commission members discussed publicly noticing work groups and decided they would like to keep noticing them. They want to post work group agendas but keeping them simple to reduce drain on staff.*

*•Dea Larson-Converse (Clean Lakes Alliance) – CLA recently published state of the lakes report. This is a new format and they welcome feedback. They also published a Lake Guide. They are currently conducting an inventory of beaches and equity is a component of this assessment. There is currently a survey out to gather public input on lakes and they would love the commission's help to promote this survey.*

**I. Future Meeting Items and Dates**

June 18th - Executive Committee (with Stormwater Volume Trading Work Group)

July 16th - Executive Committee (with Stormwater Volume Trading Work Group)

July 19th - Commission

**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 POWER, seconded by ERICKSON, that this meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by the following vote: 8/0**

**Ayes:** 8 - Chair PORTER, POWER, Supervisor ERICKSON, Vice Chair UPDIKE, WEST, MORENO, Supervisor RIPP and LEVIN

**Excused:** 1 - Supervisor KOLAR

**Absent:** 1 - Supervisor McCARVILLE

*Meeting adjourned at 7:29 pm.*

*Respectfully submitted by Susan Sandford. Minutes are subject to committee approval.*