



# Dane County

## Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

### Food Council

*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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Wednesday, September 25, 2019

6:00 PM Lyman Anderson Center, 5201 Fen Oak Dr. Madison, WI

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#### A. Call To Order

**Present** 6 - BILL WARNER, Supervisor CARL CHENOWETH, KAREN VON HUENE, Supervisor  
MICHELE RITT, CHRISTINE AMEIGH, and SHEENA TESCH

**Excused** 3 - BEVERLY HUTCHERSON, CARMELLA GLENN, and DONALE RICHARDS

Others Present: Eileen Gomez, Jess Guffey Calkins, Claire Mance and George Reistad

#### B. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda-none

#### C. Consideration of Minutes

[2019](#) FOOD COUNCIL MINUTES 04.SEPTEMBER.2019  
[MIN-248](#)

Attachments: [Minutes 04-SEPT-2019](#)

A motion was made by VON HUENE, seconded by TESCH, that the September 4, 2019 Minutes be approved. The motion carried by a voice vote 6-0.

#### D. Presentations

Anderson Farm County Park project – Community GroundWorks staff

#### E. Action Items

Anderson Farm County Park project support. The council discussed the background and current status of the project, and determined that there will not be an additional 2020 budget request for this project (beyond the existing contract that goes through 2020). Community GroundWorks will circle back with Dane County Food Council once a needs assessment is created, in early 2020, and will provide regular updates to Dane County Food Council about this project.

**F. Reports to Committee**

## —Council Discussion

Strategic planning next steps discussion. The council talked about the newly proposed work team areas, and their structure and function. There will be a continued strategic planning discussion at the October 23, 2019 meeting.

## —Work team reports

1. Food Waste & Recovery – RITT reported. Met today. An intern, Daniel Zhou, through George Reistad's office, will be assisting the work team. Bryan Johnson from the City of Madison food scraps program gave a presentation about the 2019 summer food waste pilot program & determining how to scale it up.

2. Equity & Access – This team has not been meeting; is waiting for the strategic planning process to inform next steps.

3. Urban Ag – CHENOWETH reported. At the last meeting, there was discussion about the community gardens network in Fitchburg, as well as continued talk about how to address the water fees discrepancies among community gardens on city land. The work team is also looking into the possibility of extending the length of agricultural leases where possible.

## —Madison Food Policy Council – George Reistad

At the September 4, 2019 joint Madison Food Policy Council /Dane County Food Council meeting, Phil Gotwals (from ACDS) presented on the Madison terminal market project. A joint Madison Food Policy Council /Dane County Food Council advisory/work group will be formed that will work with the local team focused on this project. Regarding Double Dollars, Madison Food Policy Council is developing a fundraising program for the future to ensure consistency of Double Dollars availability and organizational support. Madison Food Policy Council is also working with the Center for a Livable Future -through Johns Hopkins- to look at governance for Madison Food Policy Council. Daniel Zhou intern through George Reistad's office is helping with this. The Integrated Pest Management policy is in the process of being revised.

## —Public Health Madison/Dane County – George Reistad

Regarding the SNAP categorical eligibility rule - ~60,000 comments were submitted & have to be read through.

—Extension Dane County – Jess Guffey Calkins. Extension Dane County is hosting an event on October 7, 2019 12-1 pm, at 5201 Fen Oak Drive. The Wisconsin Humanities Council will provide a screening of the film “Los Lecheros – Immigrants in Wisconsin's Dairy Industry”, followed by a facilitated discussion. The event is free. Jess will send out the registration link.

**G. Announcements-none****H. Future Meeting Items and Dates**

Next meeting – October 23, 6-7:30pm, 5201 Fen Oak Drive

No November meeting

December meeting will be on December 11, 2019

The Food Waste & Recovery work team will also cancel their November meeting and meet on December 11, 2019 at 4:45pm.

**I. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law-none****J. Adjourn**

A motion was made by AMEIGH, seconded by RITT, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by a voice vote 6-0.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Jess Guffey Calkins, pending committee approval.