

# **Dane County**

# Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

#### **Lakes & Watershed Commission**

Thursday, July 13, 2017

5:00 PM

City-County Building - Rm 354 210 Martin Luther King Jr Blvd Madison WI 53703

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#### A. Call To Order

Present: 6 - REBECCA POWER, MARY KOLAR, LYLE UPDIKE, SUSAN WEST, MAUREEN

McCARVILLE and DAVE RIPP

Excused: 4 - PAM PORTER, CHUCK ERICKSON, MICHAEL GERNER and MARIA MORENO

ERICKSON, MORENO & PORTER were not present at the beginning of the meeting but were present as noted below.

Staff Present: Laura Hicklin, Sue Jones, Susan Sanford

Others Present: Kadjata Bah and Sylvan Bachhuber (Simpson Street Free Press), Paul Dearlove (Clean Lakes Alliance), Emily Jones (Madison Metropolitan Sewerage District), Chris Kucharik (UW-Madison), Erik Ness (self), Mike Rupiper (Capital Area Regional Planning Commission), Kirsti Sorsa and Rick Wenta (Public Health Madison & Dane County)

Meeting called to order by Chair POWER at 5:01 pm

#### **B.** Consideration of Minutes

2017 MIN-136 6-8-17\_LWC MINUTES

Attachments: 2017 MIN-136 6-8-17 LWC Minutes

A motion was made by KOLAR, seconded by UPDIKE, that the minutes of June 8, 2017 be approved. The motion carried by the following vote: 6/0.

Ayes: 6 - Chair POWER, Supervisor KOLAR, Vice Chair UPDIKE, WEST, Supervisor

McCARVILLE and Supervisor RIPP

Excused: 4 - PORTER, Supervisor ERICKSON, GERNER and MORENO

- C. Fund Transfers- None
- D. Referrals (Resolutions & Ordinance Amendments) None
- E. Items Requiring Committee Action None
- F. Presentations

MORENO arrived at 5:04 pm, ERICKSON arrived at 5:07 pm, and PORTER arrived at 5:10 pm

Present: 9 - PAM PORTER, REBECCA POWER, CHUCK ERICKSON, MARY KOLAR, LYLE UPDIKE, SUSAN WEST, MAUREEN McCARVILLE, MARIA MORENO and DAVE

RIPP

Excused: 1 - MICHAEL GERNER

Order of agenda was amended to move presentation 2 before presentation 1.

## 2. Recommendations for Improvements to the Coal Tar Program - Public Health Madison & Dane County

Rick Wenta from Public Health Madison & Dane County presented his recommendations for amendments to Ch. 80.08, which bans the commercial application of pavement sealants containing coal tar in Dane County. Wenta said that Corporation Counsel has advised that the existing ordinance language banning products "labeled as containing coal tar" is unenforceable. Wenta's recommendation is to ban sealants containing greater than 0.1% PAHs (polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons, which are hazardous to the environment and human health). Wenta also proposed licensure of applicators, restriction of applications to periods of favorable weather, and remediation of coal tar applications. He would like to have this in place by April 2018.

Commission members had questions about fines for violations, and suggested additional education and outreach about the problems caused by sealants containing PAHs. They also suggested seeking support from the Highway and Transportation Department. The Commission will put review of a draft ordinance amendment on an upcoming agenda.

#### 1. Simpson Street Free Press Summer Internships

Sylvan Bachhuber and Kadjata Bah introduced themselves and talked about their experiences as interns at the Land and Water Resources Department. Commission members introduced themselves and plans for accompanying Sylvan, Kadjata, and Sharon Ruiz (the third summer intern, unable to attend that night) in their upcoming interviews of community leaders.

# 3. Follow-up Research Opportunities from Yahara 2070 - Chris Kucharik, UW-Madison

Chris Kucharik, leader of UW-Madison's Yahara 2070 research project, highlighted key results from the initial research. He then identified \$350,000 of follow-up research needs for assessing the impacts of land management and climate change on future water quality outcomes of the Yahara Watershed.

Paul Dearlove said that the Clean Lakes Alliance is in full support of this proposal, and pledges \$100,000 toward this research over the next two years.

POWER said that the Commission will follow-up with Laura Hicklin and Land and Water Resources Department staff before making any budget requests for the proposed research.

#### G. Reports to Committee

Order of agenda was amended to move report 2 before report 1.

#### 2. Community Engagement Report

Sandford's verbal highlights of her monthly written report focused on the successful aquatic invasives landing blitz held on July 1st.

#### Work Group Draft Budget Recommendations

POWER asked work groups to complete their budget suggestions soon.

Jones and Sandford noted several ways they are seeking public input to the Commission's budget process, including the July 25 meeting at the Bayview Community Center.

#### H. Announcements

Jones shared information about existing practice for communicating about beach closings when cyanobacteria levels are high enough to be a public health concern, as they have been several times recently.

#### I. Future Meeting Items and Dates

July 19 - Executive Committee

July 26 - Executive Committee

August 3 - Executive Committee

August 16 - Full commission - budget public hearing

#### 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 McCARVILLE, seconded by MORENO, that this meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by the following vote: 9/0

Ayes: 9 - PORTER, Chair POWER, Supervisor ERICKSON, Supervisor KOLAR, Vice Chair UPDIKE, WEST, Supervisor McCARVILLE, MORENO and Supervisor RIPP

Excused: 1 - GERNER

Meeting adjourned at 6:26 pm

Respectfully submitted by Sue Jones. Minutes are subject to committee approval.