



Dane County

Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

Lakes & Watershed Commission

Thursday, December 21, 2017

5:00 PM

City-County Building - Room 351
210 Martin Luther King Jr Blvd
Madison WI 53703

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A. Call To Order

Present: 8 - REBECCA POWER, CHUCK ERICKSON, MARY KOLAR, LYLE UPDIKE, SUSAN WEST, MAUREEN McCARVILLE, DAVE RIPP and ALLAN LEVIN

Excused: 1 - PAM PORTER

Absent: 1 - MARIA MORENO

MORENO was not present at the beginning of the meeting but was present as noted below.

Staff Present: Sue Jones, Pete Jopke, Andrew Karleigh, John Reimer, Susan Sandford

Others Present: Tim Campbell (Department of Natural Resources/UW-Extension/Seagrant), Dea Larsen Converse (Clean Lakes Alliance)

POWER called the meeting to order at 5:02 pm.

B. Consideration of Minutes

[2017](#)
[MIN-395](#) 11-9-17_LWC MINUTES

Attachments: [2017 MIN-395_11-9-17_LWC Minutes](#)

A motion was made by McCARVILLE, seconded by RIPP, that the minutes of the November 9th, 2017 meeting be approved. The motion carried by the following vote: 7/0/1 (WEST abstained)

Ayes: 7 - Chair POWER, Supervisor ERICKSON, Supervisor KOLAR, Vice Chair UPDIKE, Supervisor McCARVILLE, Supervisor RIPP and LEVIN

Excused: 1 - PORTER

Absent: 1 - MORENO

Abstain: 1 - WEST

C. Fund Transfers - None**D. Referrals (Resolutions & Ordinance Amendments) - None**

MORENO arrived at 5:06 pm.

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

Excused: 1 - PAM PORTER

E. Presentations

1. Dane County Aquatic Invasives 2017 Program Recap and Plans for 2018 - Pete Jopke

Jopke said that Land and Water Resources staff have been implementing the county aquatic invasives plan since 2009, and that this is the seventh year of participation in the statewide Clean Boats, Clean Waters (CBCW) program. He noted that New Zealand Mud Snails reached Mt. Vernon Creek in 2017, Bighead Carp presence in the Wisconsin River seems to be expanding, and that zebra mussels have now been documented in the entire Yahara River chain of lakes. For 2018, the county plans to continue CBCW with paid and volunteer staff, and partner with Southwest Badger RC&D for invasive plant control.

2. Statewide Perspective on Aquatic Invasives Control and Advice for Dane County - Tim Campbell

Campbell said that the statewide approach builds on watercraft inspections conducted since 2002. The state focus will expand from species control to a pathways control focus, and will be reflected in the new statewide aquatic invasives control plan. His advice for Dane County was to continue what it is doing: invest in identifying and addressing gaps, and continue to leverage statewide funds and knowledge. He also touched on the problem experienced locally with goldfish sales and release, and suggested a Fox Valley pet surrender program and its partnerships with pet stores as a model.

F. Items Requiring Committee Action

Approval of Aquatic Plant Management Plan Amendments for lakes Mendota, Monona, Wingra, Waubesa, Lake Kegonsa, Lower Mud Lake, Upper Mud Lake and the Yahara River

Jones introduced the aquatic plant management staff team present, and referred to the briefing document summarizing proposed amendments to the draft plans that had been posted online. She then recapped the field work, public input, and analysis that resulted in the plan amendments presented for approval. Some final plan language clarification may result from a meeting with DNR prior to its approval of the plans.

A motion was made by ERICKSON, seconded by UPDIKE, for approval of Aquatic Plant Management Plan Amendments, as amended after public comment, for lakes Mendota, Monona, Wingra, Waubesa, Lake Kegonsa and Lower Mud Lake, and Upper Mud Lake and the Yahara River. The motion carried by the following vote: 9/0

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

Excused: 1 - PORTER

G. Reports to Committee

1. Clean Lakes Alliance Update

Larsen Converse highlighted the Warner Beach design contest, nearshore monitoring and data use, and the new \$60,000 grant program to support community efforts for the lakes. In response to the Commission's request for CLA input to its 2018 workplan, Larsen Converse suggested collaboration on beaches, lake access, and monitoring. ERICKSON referred to the Commission's equity and inclusion statement and workplan, suggested collaboration on engagement of people of color, and encouraged CLA adoption of an equity statement and workplan. POWER and Reimer identified Commission and LWRD budget initiatives on beaches and monitoring.

2. Community Engagement Report

Sandford highlighted a few items from her recent written report, including the upcoming Wisconsin Salt Wise planning meeting on outreach plans, messaging, and certification program promotion.

3. Work Group Updates (Phosphorus, Chlorides, Equity, Stormwater Volume Trading)

a. Phosphorus

KOLAR anticipates that the Healthy Farms Healthy Lakes Task Force will engage in more in-depth discussions of phosphorus control options once the background presentations to the group wrap up in March.

b. Chlorides - has not met

c. Equity

Group members will send their suggested 2018 priorities to all members before the retreat.

d. Stormwater Volume Trading

POWER noted that the work group continues its discussion of the Stormwater Technical Advisory Committee recommendations, and monitoring the "developer bill" before the legislature. UPDIKE mentioned potential synergies with the wetland mitigation bank proposed in the draft Park and Open Space Plan.

H. Announcements

None

I. Future Meeting Items and Dates

January 4 - Executive Committee (with Stormwater Volume Trading Work Group)

January 11 - Commission

January 20 - Commission Retreat

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

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

Excused: 1 - PORTER

Meeting adjourned at 6:30 pm.

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