



Dane County

Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

Henry Vilas Zoo Commission

Consider:

Who benefits? Who is burdened?

Who does not have a voice at the table?

How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

7:00 AM

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A. Call To Order

Tom Hanson attended for Chris Henderson

Also present: Alison Prange, Ronda Schwetz, Erik Anderson

**Meeting called to order by Chuck Erickson at 7:05 a.m. in Zoo Administration
Office**

Present 6 - ANNE ROSS, Supervisor CHUCK ERICKSON, JEFFREY GUNDERSON,
JONATHAN BECKER, SARAH JUSTUS, and ALLEN ARNSTEN

Absent 1 - CHRIS HENDERSON

B. Consideration of Minutes

[2018](#)
[MIN-298](#)

Minutes of the 07/10/18 Zoo Commission Meeting

Attachments: [2018 Zoo Commission Minutes 07 10 18.doc](#)

A motion was made by JUSTUS, seconded by GUNDERSON, that the Minutes be approved. The motion carried by a voice vote.

C. Action Items

D. Presentations

E. Reports to Committee

Executive Zoo Director Report

Ronda Schwetz, Executive Director of the Zoo reported Zoo updates: Animal updates acquisition of a male polar bear, Nuniq, owned by Henry Vilas Zoo. The female polar bear, Berit, has been denned up in case of pregnancy until the end of the year. Other updates include report out on Ronda Schwetz, Joe Myszkowski and Elise Gorchel's trip to Borneo where they visited orangutan and sun bear rehabilitation sites and planted and maintained over 400 trees for establishing a wildlife corridor. The University of Wisconsin Vet School has gotten the veterinary services contract starting in 2019. Facilities updates include updates on the Herpetarium roof which needs to have mold removed for 2019. The final budget for 2019 was shared.

Zoo Society Report

Alison Prange, President of the Zoo Society reported: This is year 3 of the annual, "Feed the Zoo" campaign. The Society received the philanthropic agency of the year award. Brew Lights will be on November 28th with 25 breweries. Zoo lights starts on November 14 and runs Thursday – Sunday through January 1st. The new website has launched. The second annual SOS (Save Our Species) lunch will be held on February 12th.

F. Future Meeting Items and Dates

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, January 8, at 7:00am in the Zoo Administration Building.

G. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

H. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

I. Adjourn

Minutes taken on, November 13, 2018 by Ronda Schwetz and subject to final approval by Zoo Commission.