



Dane County

Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

Environment, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee

Consider:

Who benefits? Who is burdened?

Who does not have a voice at the table?

How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?

Thursday, February 27, 2020

5:20 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: 4 - YOGESH CHAWLA, PATRICK DOWNING, JEREMY LEVIN and MICHELE RITT

Absent: 1 - NIKOLE JONES

Youth Governance Members Present: Josh Jerisha, Lamees Elhassan arrived at 5:30 pm

Staff Present: Laura Hicklin, Amy Piaget

Others Present: Supervisor Carl Chenoweth

Chair RITT called the meeting to order at 5:26 pm.

B. Consideration of Minutes

[2019](#) EANR MINUTES_2-13-20

[MIN-480](#)

Attachments: [2019 MIN-480](#)

A motion was made by DOWNING, seconded by CHAWLA, that the minutes of February 13, 2020 be approved. The motion carried by a voice vote: 4/0, YGP: 1/0

C. Fund Transfers

[2019 FTR-44](#) FUND TRANSFER_MORTON FOREST DONATION

Attachments: [2019 FTR-44](#)

A motion was made by LEVIN, seconded by CHAWLA, that the Fund Transfer be approved. The motion carried by a voice vote: 4/0, YGP: 1/0

D. Referrals (Resolutions & Ordinance Amendments) - None

E. Items Requiring Committee Action - None

F. Presentations - None

G. Reports to Committee

Manure Digester Update

Hicklin provided a status report of the Nutrient Concentration System at the Middleton/Springfield Community Manure Digester. Supervisor Chenoweth expressed concern and frustration that the system has not been commissioned. Supervisor Chenoweth and the Committee asked that staff provide a date when the system will be commissioned and fully operational. The Committee also asked for updates on the project status.

H. Announcements

- CHAWLA announced that he is working on an OA to increase public engagement and participation at meetings, e.g. providing childcare at budget hearings and increasing per diems for income qualified committee members. He encouraged members to contact him for more information and discussion.*
- March 5th is the Yahara Pride Farms annual meeting.*
- March 1st is the Sugar River Watershed Association annual meeting.*
- March 7th is the Dane County Parks volunteer summit.*

I Future Meeting Items and Dates

March 12th, 5 pm @ Lyman F Anderson Ag & Conservation Center or the call of the Chair

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 LEVIN, seconded by CHAWLA, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by a voice vote: 4/0, YGP: 2/0

Meeting adjourned at 6:12 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Laura Hicklin. Minutes are subject to committee approval.