



Dane County

Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

Tree Board

Consider:

Who benefits? Who is burdened?

Who does not have a voice at the table?

How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?

Tuesday, May 17, 2022

3:45 PM

Virtual Zoom Meeting: See top of agenda for
instructions on how to join the webinar or call in by
phone.

A. Call To Order

- Present** 6 - Supervisor MICHELE RITT, JAY WEISS, LAURA WYATT, ALEX MODERHOCK, MCKINZIE MYSZKA, and MATT NOONE
- Absent** 5 - ADAM HELMINIAK, ADAM ALVES, JAEDAN FESTGE, BRIAN WAHL, and MARLA EDDY

B. Consideration of Minutes

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Attachments: [2022 MIN-052](#)

A motion was made by WYATT, seconded by WEISS, that the Minutes be approved. The motion carried by a voice vote 6-0.

C. Discussion Items

1. *Grant options: None were brought up by Board members for review.*
2. *Potential projects that require budget money: PSAs, Dane County Heritage Oaks project potentially, Friends of Forest awards, fall tree planting projects.*
 - a. *Discussion ensued re supporting the DC Heritage Oaks project being spearheaded by Howard Veregin, state cartographer. It was brought up that for the Board to participate, we need an overall plan and desired outcome. It was not decided which work group the project would be housed in should support go forward. Potential support activities might include developing a PSA on the project and sending people to a contact or site for more info if they are willing to have trees on their property measured, or they want to participate in tree measurement activities on public or private lands. It could also be advertised on the TB website.*
 - b. *This will be a discussion item on the agenda for June. NOONE will speak to Howard Veregin, state cartographer about how we can support.*
 - c. *RITT will connect with ALVES re fall tree planting projects or replacing trees. She will also review with him the approved County Board budget money re staff for tree planting.*

D. Presentations**E. Reports to Committee**

1. *Tree Canopy Work Group: Thriving Earth Exchange project proposal got a community science fellow assigned to figure out how to ID and address canopy loss with an equity lens, to refine any projects and how to survey public re identifying barriers to increasing tree canopy. The group applied for a Midwest Climate Collaborative grant looking at different strategies states have done that were effective. Dane County Office of Energy and Climate Change is working on a website, the Tree Canopy projects can go there.*

2. *Events Work Group: discussed Friends Of the Forest award, networking with ALVES on fall planting project, perhaps using budget for Arbor Day since we were not able to do it this year. Johnson and WEISS will meet re generating a template based on the Cambridge Tree Project that communities can use to start their own tree planting project groups.*

3. *Outreach Work Group Are reviewing county CMS training video. Will discuss website changes and review Facebook, etc. with WEISS*

4. *Policy Work Group meeting: will meet after TB meeting today*

F. Future Meeting Items and Dates

June 21 2022, July 19 2022, August 16 2022, Sept 20 2022, October 25 2022, November 22 2022, no December meeting

G. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda**H. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law****I. Adjourn**

A motion was made by WEISS, seconded by MODERHOCK, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried unanimously 6-0.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Lisa Johnson, pending council approval