



# 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?*

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Tuesday, April 21, 2026

3:45 PM

In-Person Meeting: Attend in person at Tenney Park  
Beach, 1300 Sherman Ave, Madison, WI 53703

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#### A. Call To Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:45pm

**Present** 6 - MATT NOONE, CORY RICH, TIERNEY BOCSI, TEDWARD ERKER, KATE  
KENDZIORA, and BRIANA FRANK  
**Excused** 1 - Supervisor MICHELE RITT

Others Present: Brian Wahl, Lydia Bruning, Michael Rewey, Cathy Brodbeck  
Excused: Lisa Johnson

#### B. Consideration of Minutes

[2026](#)  
[MIN-000](#)

MINUTES OF THE MARCH 17, 2026, TREE BOARD MEETING

**Attachments:** [2026 MIN-000](#)

A MOTION to accept minutes was made by RICH, seconded by FRANK, MOTION  
passed (6-0).

#### C. Tree Board Operating Agreement

No changes

## D. Project and General Updates

### 1 - Introductions

-Goals of existing members and background and potential new members

- a. Bruning owns Rooted Tree Care in Stoughton.
- b. Rewey is a highway engineer interested in champion and heritage trees.

### 2 - Upcoming Events and DCTB Member Commitments

- a. FRANK reviewed the EcoLatinos event where 100 heritage oak seedlings were given away.
- b. UW-Madison Hospital to have a tree giveaway April 23 and 24.
- c. May 2 Party for the Planet at Vilas Zoo, BRODBECK, NOONE, FRANK (and her kids) will be volunteering with the tree climbing event and tree giveaway.
- d. RICH reported on plans to create a workforce development conference; waiting on a response from Madison College.

### 3 - School Tree Nursery Program (Matt)

- a. NOONE reported on the School Tree Nursery Program.
- b. OFS built a tree nursery at Madison West High School.
- c. Nuestro Mundo tree nursery moved to St. Dennis. Maddie Dumas is contact, a City of Madison engineer.
- d. Severson Learning Center in Cambridge has a tree nursery and planted trees on site or distributed to community. Contact is Adam Gould.
- e. NOONE got an article about the program in On Wisconsin magazine.

### 4 - Recent TB Purchases

- 800 heritage oak progeny trees
- Hydro Gel

### 5 - Future Purchase - Soil for Air Pruned Tree Nurseries

- a. Soil needed for tree cribs, about 10 bags per crib. FRANK brought up how to make soil moving easier.

## E. Discussion Items

- 1 - Tree Board Events
- 2 - Other Earth Arbor Day/Events
- 3 - Other Tree Board Matters

## F. Action Items

- 1 - Dane County Tree Board purchases
- 2 - Other Tree Board Matters

**MOTION by BOCSI, seconded by RICH, to spend up to \$1000 on tree crib nursery supplies. MOTION passed 6-0.**

**G. Future Meeting Items and Dates**

5/19/2026 at 3:45 pm. Location: To Be Determined

**H. Public Comment on Items Not on the Agenda**

None

**I. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law**

None

**J. Adjourn**

**A MOTION was made by ERKER, seconded by BOCSI. The MOTION passed (6-0).  
The meeting adjourned at 5:00pm.**

Minutes respectfully submitted by Lisa Johnson, pending board approval.