



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?

This meeting is being conducted on land now known and recognized as Dane County, Wisconsin. We acknowledge that this land is at the same time the ancestral, traditional, & contemporary land of the Ho-Chunk, Sauk & Kickapoo nations.

Wednesday, November 19, 2025

5:30 PM Hybrid Meeting: Attend in person at 5201 Fen Oak Drive
Moraine Room; attend virtually via zoom.

See below for additional instructions on how to attend the meeting and provide public testimony. This meeting will begin at 5:30 pm or when the Land Conservation Committee adjourns, whichever is later. The Zoom link for the meetings is the same.

Interpreters must be requested in advance; please see the bottom of the agenda for more information.

Los intérpretes deben solicitarse con anticipación; consulte el final de la agenda para obtener más información.

Yuav tsuam tau thov txog cov neeg txhais lus hau ntej; thov saib hauv qab kawg ntawm qhov txheej txheem rau cov ntaub ntawv ntxiv.

يجب التقدم بطلب خدمات الترجمة مقدماً. يرجى الاطلاع على أسفل جدول الأعمال للمزيد من المعلومات

The November 19th Environment Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee meeting will be a hybrid meeting. Members of the public can either attend in person or virtually via Zoom. 2025 RES-205 ESTABLISHING THE DANE COUNTY ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON DATA CENTERS will be discussed in a joint meeting with the Zoning and Land Regulation Committee.

The public can attend in person at Moraine Conference Room, 5201 Fen Oak Drive, Madison WI 53718.

The public can access the meeting virtually with the Zoom application or by telephone.

To join the meeting in Zoom, click the following link (after you fill out the form, the meeting link and access information will be emailed to you):

https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_DAWxNBsjQomG1_JHjGpRzw

This link will be active until the end of the meeting.

To join the meeting by phone, dial-in using one of the following toll-free phone numbers:

1-833-548-0276

1-833-548-0282

When prompted, enter the following Webinar ID: 926 8676 3115

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IN PERSON: Any members of the public wishing to register to speak on/support/oppose an agenda item can register in person at the meeting using paper registration forms. IT IS HIGHLY ENCOURAGED TO REGISTER VIA THE ZOOM LINK ABOVE EVEN IF YOU PLAN ON ATTENDING IN PERSON.

In person registrations to provide public comment will be accepted throughout the meeting.

VIRTUAL: Any members of the public wishing to register to speak on/support/oppose an agenda item **MUST REGISTER USING THE LINK ABOVE** (even if you plan to attend using your phone). Virtual registrations to provide public comment will be accepted until 30 minutes prior to the beginning of the meeting.

In order to testify (provide public comment) virtually, you must be in attendance at the meeting via Zoom or phone, you will then either be unmuted or promoted to a panelist and provided time to speak to the body.

If you want to submit written comments or other materials for this meeting, please email them to: lwrd@danecounty.gov Staff will forward the email and materials to members of the committee.

A. Call To Order

Chair Chawla called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

Youth Governance Members Present: Sophia Pientka

Others Present: Supervisor Postler, Supervisor Bollig, Supervisor Ritt, Supervisor Doolan, County Board Chair Miles

Staff Present: Carrie Edgar, Majid Allan, Todd Violante, Amy Piaget, Carousel Bayrd, Laura Hicklin

Present: 5 - YOGESH CHAWLA, PATRICK DOWNING, STEVEN PETERS, KERRY MARREN and COLIN BARUSHOK

B. Consideration of Minutes

[2025](#)
[MIN-361](#)

Minutes of the October 22, 2025 Environment, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee

Sponsors: Environment and Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee

Attachments: [EANR 10-22-25](#)
[EANR Registration Report 10 22 25](#)

A motion was made by PETERS that the Minutes be approved. The motion carried by a voice vote 5-0, YGP 1-0.

C. Fund Transfers

D. Referrals (Resolutions & Ordinance Amendments)

1. [2025
RES-205](#) ESTABLISHING THE DANE COUNTY ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON DATA
CENTERS

Sponsors: MILES, POSTLER, BROWER, ROSE, MARREN, FURMAN, SMITH, FRIES, CHAWLA,
DOOLAN and PETERSON

Attachments: [2025 RES-205](#)
[FISCAL NOTE 2025 RES-205](#)
[2025 RES-205_AS AMENDED IN ZLR AND EANR COMMITTEES](#)

Tom Mathies registered in support of 2025 RES-205 and was available for questions.

A motion was made by DOWNING that the Resolution be recommended for approval. A motion was made by MILES that the Resolution be amended to add one County Board Supervisor Member and one representative of the agricultural or farmland preservation community to bring the total membership to thirteen (13) and to add language that the County Board Office will provide staff support as needed.

The motion to amend the Resolution was carried by a voice vote 5-0, YGP 1-0.

Roll call requested on the main motion to approve the Resolution as amended.

The motion to recommend approval of the Resolution as amended carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 5 - CHAWLA, DOWNING, PETERS, MARREN, BARUSHOK

YGP Pientka: Aye

Ayes: 5 - Chair CHAWLA, Supervisor DOWNING, Vice Chair PETERS, Supervisor MARREN and Supervisor BARUSHOK

2. [2025
RES-193](#) AUTHORIZATION TO APPLY FOR 2026 STATE OF WISCONSIN DNR
SURFACE WATER GRANTS

Sponsors: CHAWLA, BROWER, BLAZEWICZ, FRIES and ENGELBERGER

Attachments: [2025 RES-193](#)
[2025 RES-193 FISCAL NOTE](#)

A motion was made by BARUSHOK that the Resolution be recommended for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote 5-0, YGP 1-0.

3. [2025
RES-194](#) AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF LAND IN THE TOWN OF WESTPORT

Sponsors: KRONING, CHAWLA, BROWER, BLAZEWICZ and ENGELBERGER

Attachments: [2025 RES-194](#)
[2025 RES-194 FISCAL NOTE](#)
[2025-RES 194 AREA MAP](#)
[2025 RES-194 SUBJECT MAP](#)

A motion was made by DOWNING that the Resolution be recommended for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote 5-0, YGP 1-0.

4. [2025
RES-199](#) AUTHORIZING AMENDMENT OF 2025 BUDGET TO ACCEPT DATCP COST-SHARE FUNDS

Sponsors: CHAWLA and ENGELBERGER

Attachments: [2025 RES-199](#)
[2025 RES-199 FISCAL NOTE](#)
[2025 RES-199 CONTRACT #15981](#)

A motion was made by PETERS that the Resolution Requiring 2/3rds Vote be recommended for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote 5-0, YGP 1-0.

5. [2025
RES-217](#) AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF AN IRS VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE (VITA) GRANT TO SUPPORT THE RICHARD DILLEY TAX CENTER AND AMENDING THE 2025 OPERATING BUDGET

Sponsors: YANG, ROSE and MARREN

Attachments: [2025 RES-217](#)
[2025 RES-217 Fiscal Note](#)
[2025 RES-217 CONTRACT #15990](#)

A motion was made by PETERS that the Resolution Requiring 2/3rds Vote be recommended for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote 5-0, YGP 1-0.

6. [2025
RES-228](#) AMENDMENT TO WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES NOTICE OF DISCHARGE GRANT

Sponsors: CHAWLA

Attachments: [2025 RES-228](#)
[2025 RES-228 FISCAL NOTE](#)
[2025 RES-228 CONTRACT #15551A](#)

A motion was made by PETERS that the Resolution Requiring 2/3rds Vote be recommended for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote 5-0, YGP 1-0.

7. [2025
RES-222](#) AUTHORIZING A LAND ACQUISITION FOR MCCARTHY YOUTH AND
CONSERVATION COUNTY PARK

Sponsors: PETERSON, POSTLER, ROSE and FRIES

Attachments: [2025 RES-222](#)
[2025 RES-222 FISCAL NOTE](#)
[2025 RES-222 AREA MAP](#)
[2025 RES-222 SUBJECT MAP](#)

A motion was made by PETERS that the Resolution be recommended for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote 5-0, YGP 1-0.

E. Items Requiring Committee Action

F. Presentations

G. Reports to Committee

H. Future Meeting Items and Dates

1. Joint Meeting on December 3, 2025 or by call of the chair.

2. [2025
RPT-502](#) 2026 LCC & EANR MEETING SCHEDULE

Attachments: [2026 EANR & LCC Meeting Dates](#)

I. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

J. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

K. Adjourn

A motion was made by PETERS that the Meeting be adjourned. The motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 6:12 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Laura Hicklin and subject to committee action at a future meeting.

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