



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, August 20, 2024

3:45 PM In Person Meeting: Attend in person at the Olin Park,
1156 Olin-Turville Ct, Madison, WI 53715

A. Call To Order

- Present** 5 - Supervisor MICHELE RITT, JAY WEISS, LAURA WYATT, TIERNEY BOCSI, and TEDWARD ERKER
- Excused** 3 - MATT NOONE, CORY RICH, and CATHY BRODBECK

Also present: Lisa Johnson, Brian Wahl

B. Consideration of Minutes

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From last minutes, a correction: add that WEISS was at the resolution meeting. MOTION to accept minutes with changes made by RITT, seconded by WYATT. THE MOTION passes by a voice vote (5-0).

C. Tree Board Operating Agreement

No change

D. Project & General Updates

1. Bock Foundation Grant - No update. The grant submitted by the Tree Board was for funding an outside consultant to help create a tree preservation resolution.
2. Using Google sheets for group working space - This process was reviewed.

E. Discussion Items

1. Review/Add/Edit Dane County Tree Policy Resolution ingredients for forwarding on at the conclusion of the meeting. The subcommittee met, progress was made on deciding what to put in a resolution and the resulting document is on Google Drive for viewing and editing. Discussed current document.

2. TB Parks and Open Space Plan comments: BOSCI reviewed the Dane County Parks' Open Space Plan, grouped topics together and presented her findings to the Board for discussion, with Board input to be submitted back to Parks. Discussion: Noted lack of other forested lands preservation other than in the two mentioned parks in the plan. Bosci suggested adding statements for protecting other forests as well, including comments on heritage trees, replanting requirements when trees are removed, mitigating tree damage, etc. She also suggested statements on where to restore to pre-settlement vegetation versus where to adapt the plant palette for climate change in terms of species, incorporating risk assessments for trees in highly trafficked areas, and a process for determining when to have a forest management plan.

ERKER MOTIONED that BOSCI'S summary goes out for final comments from Board members for one week and after that it goes out as is to Parks. MOTION was seconded WEISS. MOTION passed by voice vote (5-0).

F. Action Items

1. Additional TB purchases (place holder, no updates)

G. Future Meeting Items and Dates

1. 3:45-4:45 September 17 2024

Motion to move meetings back to the Extension office for fall/winter by WEISS, seconded by BOSCI. MOTION passed by voice vote (5-0).

H. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

None

I. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

None

J. Adjourn

MOTION to adjourn made by RITT, seconded by ERKER. MOTION passes by a voice vote (5-0). Meeting adjourns at 4:57 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Lisa Johnson, pending board approval.