



# 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.*

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Thursday, August 22, 2024

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

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**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 two 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.*

The August 22, 2024 Environment, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee meeting will be a hybrid meeting. Members of the public can either attend in person or virtually via Zoom.

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

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\\_IZ4sCSSYT-WqochH\\_6yWbw](https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_IZ4sCSSYT-WqochH_6yWbw)

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

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

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#### PROCESS TO PROVIDE PUBLIC COMMENT:

**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](mailto: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 5:51 pm.

Public present: Steve Books, Michael Farin (virtual), Cheryl Elkinton (virtual), Theo Callis (in person)

Staff present: Amy Piaget, Laura Hicklin

Present: 4 - YOGESH CHAWLA, PATRICK DOWNING, SARAH SMITH and KERRY MARREN

Excused: 1 - STEVEN PETERS

## B. Consideration of Minutes

[2024  
MIN-163](#) Minutes of the July 25, 2024 Environment, Agriculture & Natural Resources  
Committee

**Sponsors:** Environment and Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee

**Attachments:** [EANR 07-25-24](#)

A motion was made by SMITH, seconded by MARREN, that the Minutes be approved. The motion carried by a voice vote 3-0-1 (Downing abstained).

## C. Fund Transfers

## D. Referrals (Resolutions & Ordinance Amendments)

1. [2024  
RES-110](#) URBAN WATER QUALITY GRANT AWARD - CITY OF MONONA

**Sponsors:** SMITH, CHAWLA, BLAZEWICZ, FRIES and ROSE

**Attachments:** [2024 RES-110](#)  
[2024 RES-110 FISCAL NOTE](#)

A motion was made by SMITH, seconded by MARREN, that the Resolution be recommended for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote 4-0.

2. [2024  
RES-116](#) URGING A WISCONSIN POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION PERMIT  
EXTENSION FOR BADGER MILL CREEK

**Sponsors:** KEMP, POSTLER and DOWNING

**Attachments:** [2024 RES-116](#)  
[2024 RES-116 FISCAL NOTE](#)

A motion was made by DOWNING, seconded by MARREN, that the Resolution be recommended for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote 3-0-1 (Smith abstained).

## E. Items Requiring Committee Action

## F. Presentations

## G. Reports to Committee

## 1. PFAS Remediation Responsibilities

*Steve Books spoke regarding his goal to see an increased commitment from public agencies for testing of both public and private drinking water and for the dissemination of information to the public.*

*Michael Farin passed on speaking at the meeting and opted to wait for future meetings.*

Chair Chawla drew the committee's attention to pending litigation regarding the EPA's authority to enforce cleanup. EPA says that Tucson's drinking water is contaminated with PFAS and US Air Force claims that EPA lacks authority to order the cleanup based on the supreme court's Chevron ruling. Chawla noted that airport officials from the Dane County Regional Airport and from former County Executive Parisi's administration repeatedly assured the Dane County Board that the cleanup at the Dane County Regional Airport is a top priority for the Air National Guard and questioned how that might change in light of the pending Tucson case.

## H. Future Meeting Items and Dates

1. The next EANR meeting will be September 26th or at the call of the Chair.

## I. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

## J. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

## K. Adjourn

A motion was made by DOWNING, seconded by SMITH, that the Meeting be adjourned. The motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 6:26 pm.

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

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