



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, June 16, 2026

3:45 PM

Hybrid Meeting: Attend in person at the Lyman
Anderson building 5201 Fen Oak Dr; Meeting
Room Moraine (C); attend virtually via Zoom

A. Call To Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:52 pm

Present 7 - MATT NOONE, CORY RICH, TIERNEY BOCSI, BRIANA FRANK, LYDIA
BRUNING, MICHAEL REWEY, and Supervisor COLIN BARUSHOK

Excused 2 - TEDWARD ERKER, and KATE KENDZIORA

Others Present: Brian Wahl, Lisa Johnson

B. Consideration of Minutes

[2026](#)
[MIN-105](#)

MINUTES OF THE MAY 19, 2026, TREE BOARD MEETING

Attachments: [2026 MIN-105](#)

A MOTION to accept minutes was made by REWEY, second by RICH. MOTION
passed (7-0).

C. Tree Board Operating Agreement

No change

D. Presentation

Due to technical issues we were not able to watch the video. Per Supervisor Barushok, based on a similar situation that he witnessed in another County meeting, Supervisor Wegleitner, author of the new policy that requires the ethics training, had said it was okay to email the video link to members and have them watch it outside the meeting and report to the staff or Chair by June 30.

A MOTION to proceed with having members watch the video outside the meeting by June 30 was made by FRANK and seconded by REWEY. MOTION passed 7-0.

E. Project and General Updates

- 1 - DCTB Workforce Development Plan: RICH reviewed the plan to partner with an existing organization already hosting a similar event. Madison College may do this in spring 2027. Partnership got a positive response from Madison College, but no dates have been advanced.
- 2 - School Tree Nursery Program (Matt): NOONE reviewed the current scope and status of the program. There are 8 tree nurseries in schools (elementary, middle, and high schools) with teachers and students maintaining the trees and using them for learning about growth rates, etc. New schools include St. Dennis and Lodi Elementary.
- 3 - Future Purchases: Not discussed
- 4 - Future Meeting Location: July 21, 3:45 pm.

F. Discussion Items

- 1 - County Exec Strategic Vision Plan: Are there any opportunities for the Tree Board to be actionable in it? Johnson to forward the email from the County Exec with information for Board members to review. Alves will give a short presentation on any role he sees that the Tree Board could have.
- 2 - DCTB Future Direction? July agenda item.
- 3 - Tree Preservation Matters in the Village of Cross Plains: Not discussed.
- 4 - Other Tree Board Matters: Frank reported on homeowners who may be having interactions with insurance companies that require them to remove trees next to their homes based on poor information or aerial views from Google Maps. Homeowners should know that a professional, certified arborist can intercede with the insurance company if the tree is sound.

G. Action Items

- 1 - Dane County Tree Board Purchases - No action taken.
- 2 - Other Tree Board Matters, Letters of Support or Letters of a Position - No action taken.

H. Future Meeting Items and Dates

7/21/2026 at 3:45 pm.

I. Public Comment on Items Not on the Agenda

None

J. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

None

K. Adjourn

A MOTION was made by RICH, second by REWEY. The MOTION passed (7-0). The meeting adjourned at 4:48 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Lisa Johnson, pending board approval.