

MINUTES

Dane County Cities and Villages Association

November 15, 2023

ATTENDANCE:

Belleville:
Black Earth:
Blue Mounds:
Brooklyn:
Cambridge:
Cottage Grove:
Cross Plains: Administrator Brian Mooney
Dane: Trustee Roger Schmidt
Deerfield:
DeForest: Trustee Jan Steffenhagen-Hahn, Administrator Bill Chang
Edgerton:
Fitchburg: Mayor Julia Arata-Fratta, Administrator Chad Brecklin
Madison: Mayor Satya Rhodes-Conway, Deputy Mayor Reuben Sanon
Maple Bluff: Trustee Jim Schuler
Marshall: Administrator Brian Bledsoe
Mazomanie:
McFarland: President Carolyn Clow
Middleton: Alder Lisa Janairo
Monona: Mayor Mary O'Connor, Alder Rick Bernstein
Mount Horeb: Trustee Ryan Czyzewski
Oregon:
Rockdale:
Shorewood Hills:
Stoughton: Mayor Tim Swadley, Alder Phil Caravello
Sun Prairie: Mayor Paul Esser, Administrator Aaron Oppenheimer
Verona: Administrator Jamie Aulik
Waunakee: Administrator Todd Schmidt
Windsor: President Bob Wipperfurth, Administrator Tina Butteris
Others Present: Forbes McIntosh, GPS/DCCVA
Ann Gryphan, GPS/DCCVA
Steve Steinhoff, Capital Area RPC
Jaron McCallum, Dane County broadband coordinator

1. **Call to Order.** The DCCVA membership meeting was called to order by V. of Windsor President Bob Wipperfurth at 12:04 p.m. The meeting was held virtually via Zoom. Sixteen cities and villages were present.
2. **Welcome Comments.** Bob Wipperfurth welcomed the members, and all members present introduced themselves.
3. **Guest Speaker: Jaron McCallum, Dane County broadband coordinator.** Jaron McCallum was recently hired as the new Dane County broadband coordinator. He said broadband as a whole is largely unregulated in the nation. A little more than \$1 billion in BEAD (Broadband, Equity, Access and Development) program dollars will be coming to Wisconsin for broadband infrastructure, primarily for fiber services for underserved areas of the state. Issues in Dane County might be more along the lines of affordability rather than lack of access. McCallum discussed the Affordability Connectivity Program, which is primarily income-based eligibility, with funding expected to expire or be exhausted in 2024 unless Congress takes action.
4. **Approval of Minutes from Meeting of September 20, 2023.** Mayor Mary O'Connor (C. of Monona) made a motion to approve the minutes from Sept. 20, 2023, seconded by President Carolyn Clow (V. of McFarland) and approved on a voice vote.
5. **Treasurer's Report.** Mayor Paul Esser (C. of Sun Prairie) made a motion to accept the written treasurer's report as presented, seconded by Carolyn Clow (V. of McFarland) and approved on a voice vote. Bob Wipperfurth noted that longtime DCCVA Treasurer Bill Burns (C. of Middleton) probably will not be running to serve as DCCVA Treasurer again at the May 2024 DCCVA annual meeting, and others should consider serving in that capacity.
6. **Reports of External Committee/Board/Commission Appointees** (standing agenda item)
 - a. Lakes & Watershed Commission (David Clutter). David Clutter reported on the Lakes and Watershed Commission budget recommendations for 2024, including PFAS testing. He also said that enhanced stormwater management ordinances should be complete by spring 2024. Other initiatives include: expanded beach health notifications, ongoing efforts to reduce flooding in the Yahara chain of lakes, continued support for the Yahara CLEAN Compact, and efforts to reduce phosphorus and chlorides. He encouraged members to contact him with their concerns or priorities relating to Lakes and Watershed.
 - b. Capital Area RPC (Maureen Crombie, Heidi Murphy, Jim Schuler) Jim Schuler (V. of Maple Bluff) reported that CARPC is creating an Ad Hoc

Subcommittee to deal with all sewer district extension applications, a process to streamline the review and approval process. If approved, the subcommittee will meet on a trial basis for one year.

- c. DaneCom Governing Board (Valerie Zisman, Brett Halverson, Paul Esser). No report.
 - d. Greater Madison MPO (Mark Opitz, Doug Wood, Phil Caravello). No report.
 - e. Dane County Broadband Task Force (Bob Wipperfurth). Bob Wipperfurth pointed to Jaron McCallum's report earlier in the meeting and also noted that the task force is still finishing its final report.
7. **2024 County Budget – CARES funding.** The 2024 Dane County budget included some funding to expand mental health crisis response in the county. The provisions included wage increases for Journey mental health workers, increased 911 triage staffing for mental health calls and funding that would allow the expansion of the City of Madison's CARES teams crisis response program to surrounding cities/villages. Madison Mayor Satya Rhodes-Conway said additional details have not yet been announced, and they are working on what the program expansion might look like. She said the city is heading toward a hybrid cost structure that would have some base cost and a per-call charge, but the details are still being worked out. She said the county is still working on the application and approval process for how these funds will be allocated.
8. **Legislative Update.** Forbes McIntosh gave a legislative update, saying there is a flurry of legislative activity this fall. He also noted that the Madison Metropolitan Sewerage District Commission recently adopted its 2024 operating budget and capital improvement plan, which calls for a sewer service charge average increase of 9 percent.
9. **Old Business.** No report.
10. **Other Items/New Business**
- a. **CARPC resolution on USA amendments.** Bob Wipperfurth noted that CARPC wants to create an ad hoc committee to review the USA amendment applications. He said he is a proponent of the subcommittee on a trial basis.
 - b. **DCCVA Resolution No. 2023-2, expressing support for CARPC Resolution 2023-11 establishing an Ad Hoc CARPC Water Quality Planning Committee.** Forbes McIntosh prepared a resolution supporting the ad hoc committee's creation, however no action was taken on the resolution. Jim Schuler made a motion to authorize the DCCVA Executive Committee to communicate with CARPC staff and provide correspondence back to CARPC officials about the creation of the ad hoc committee, seconded by Carolyn Clow and approved on a voice vote.

- c. **Virtual Roundtable on Passive and Active Traffic Controls, December 13.**
Bob Wipperfurth reported that DCCVA will host a virtual roundtable at 12 p.m. on Wed., Dec. 13, on the topic of passive and active traffic controls. The guest presenters will be David Noyce, UW-Madison TOPS Lab, and Brian Berquist of Town and Country Engineering.

11. Membership General Discussion:

- a. **Speaker ideas for future meetings or roundtables.**

12. Preliminary 2024 DCCVA Meeting Schedule:

- Wednesday, Jan. 10, 2024, 12 p.m. – Virtual
- Wednesday, March 6, 2024, 5 p.m. – In person
- Wednesday, May 8, 2024, 5:30 p.m. (annual meeting) – In person
- Wednesday, July 10, 2024, 12 p.m. - Virtual
- Wednesday, Sept. 18, 2024, 5 p.m – In person
- Wednesday, Nov. 13, 2024, 12 p.m. – Virtual

- 13. Adjournment.** Mayor Paul Esser (C. of Sun Prairie) made a motion to adjourn at 12:59 p.m., seconded by Mayor Mary O'Connor (C. of Monona) and approved on a voice vote.