

MINUTES

Dane County Cities and Villages Association

March 8, 2017

ATTENDANCE:

Belleville:
Black Earth:
Blue Mounds:
Brooklyn:
Cambridge:
Cottage Grove:
Cross Plains: Administrator Caitlin Stene
Dane: President Roger Schmidt
Deerfield: President Greg Frutiger
DeForest: President Judd Blau
Edgerton:
Fitchburg: Mayor Steve Arnold, Administrator Patrick Marsh
Madison:
Maple Bluff:
Marshall:
Mazomanie:
McFarland: President Brad Czebotar
Middleton: Mayor Kurt Sonnentag, Alder Susan West, Administrator Mike Davis, Finance Director Bill Burns, Assistant Planning Director Mark Opitz
Monona: Mayor Bob Miller
Mount Horeb:
Oregon:
Rockdale:
Shorewood Hills:
Stoughton: Mayor Donna Olson
Sun Prairie:
Verona: Mayor Jon Hochkammer, Administrator Jeff Mikorski
Waunakee: Administrator Todd Schmidt, Assistant Administrator Adam Bentley
Windsor: President Bob Wipperfurth
Others Present: Forbes McIntosh and Ann Gryphan, GPS/DCCVA
Mike Rupiper, Capital Area Regional Planning Commission

Chad Lawler, Madison Area Builders Association
Pat Cannon and Nick Mastronardi, POLCO
Jason Vargo, UniverCity Alliance

1. **Call to Order.** The DCCVA membership meeting was called to order by DCCVA President C. Verona Mayor Jon Hochkammer at 5:12 p.m. at Quaker Steak & Lube restaurant in the City of Middleton. A quorum was present with 12 member communities represented. The members were greeted by Hochkammer and C. Middleton Mayor Kurt Sonnentag. Hochkammer noted that this is Sonnentag's last meeting, as he is not running for re-election, neither is Bob Miller (C. of Monona Mayor).
2. **Approval of Minutes.** V. DeForest President Judd Blau made a motion to approve the minutes from the DCCVA meeting on Jan. 11, 2017, seconded by C. Monona Mayor Bob Miller and approved on a voice vote.
3. **Financial Report.** DCCVA Treasurer Bill Burns presented the financial report. 2017 membership dues invoices were sent out and most 2017 dues have been received. Only two communities have not paid – Village of Rockdale and Village of Black Earth. The 2017 year-end balance is expected to be \$57,000. C. Monona Mayor Bob Miller made a motion to approve the financial report, seconded by C. Fitchburg Mayor Steve Arnold and approved on a voice vote.
4. **Reports from Appointees to External Committees/Commissions.**
 - a. **Dane County Lakes and Watershed Commission:** Susan West, City of Middleton council president who serves as DCCVA's appointee to the Lakes and Watershed Commission, gave a brief report. The commission is working on chloride reduction efforts and buy-in to reduce salt usage on parking lots. Other initiatives include phosphorus/manure storage and groundwater quality/quantity.
 - b. **Madison Area Transportation Planning Board:** Mark Optiz, City of Middleton Assistant Planning Director who serves as one of the small city/village representatives on the Madison Area Transportation Planning Board, gave a brief report. He said City of Madison is seeking the creation of a regional transit authority. The City Council adopted a resolution asking the state to allow creation of a RTA. There was an RTA in the area for a short time about 5-6 years ago but was disbanded by the state.
 - c. **Capital Area Regional Planning Commission:** Steve Arnold, City of Fitchburg Mayor who serves as a DCCVA appointee to the Capital Area Regional Planning Commission, gave a brief report. CARPC staff is working on appendixes to the water quality plan. A point source inventory and analysis update is scheduled for a public hearing at the CARPC meeting tomorrow night. Also, the joint stormwater technical advisory committee for CARPC/Dane County Lakes & Watershed Commission is seeking input on revised stormwater runoff standards.

- d. **DaneCom.** Judd Blau, Village of DeForest president who serves on the DaneCom Governing Board, did not have a report but said he would attend the next DaneCom meeting.
5. **UniverCity Alliance.** C. of Monona Mayor Bob Miller said Monona has partnered with UW-Madison to do community projects. Jason Vargo of UW-Madison gave a presentation on the UniverCity Alliance projects happening in conjunction with the City of Monona. The UniverCity Year program is a year-long partnership between UW-Madison and a city through which students and faculty collaborate with the city on sustainability and livability projects. More than 20 UW courses and hundreds of students worked on more than 30 projects within the city on areas such as transportation, parks/recreation, housing, economic development and more. In 2017, UniverCity will be partnering with Dane County Board of Supervisors. In May 2017, UW-Madison will be releasing a Request For Proposals from other municipalities to partner in future years. Read more online at university.wisc.edu.
6. **POLCO.** Pat Cannon and Nick Mastronardi gave a presentation about POLCO, an online policy polling service for local governments. POLCO is located in Middleton and works nationally. They help communities develop online polls and create a link so the poll can be embedded in social media, online news articles, newsletters and more venues. The system is set up so people can respond to each poll only once, as respondents are cross-referenced against voter files. City/village officials would receive poll result reports, with results broken down by ward, precinct or any other criteria. Poll results are de-identified, meaning the respondents' names are not shared with municipal leaders. DCCVA is considering offering POLCO as a shared service for DCCVA member cities/villages, however it might mean membership dues increases. This will be discussed further at the May DCCVA meeting.
7. **Legislative Session Update.** Forbes McIntosh gave an update on the Dane County zoning opt-out bill. During the last legislation session, lawmakers passed a bill that would allow towns in Dane County to opt out of Dane County zoning. This legislative session, there is a follow-up bill that would streamline the opt-out process and make it easier for towns to complete the opt-out process. One of the bill's controversial provisions is allowing the removal of a town referendum approving the opt-out. DCCVA members agreed to not take a position on this bill, AB 109.
8. **Stormwater runoff changes.** Forbes McIntosh informed the membership about a joint technical advisory committee (TAC) between the Capital Area Regional Planning Commission and the Dane County Lakes and Watershed Commission. The TAC is looking at stormwater infiltration/flooding issues. Once it's approved, it becomes the standard county-wide. DCCVA put together an analysis of the proposal and asked for extension until March 10 for public comment, but McIntosh has gotten little feedback from members so far. Builders/realtors are opposed to the proposal. Hochkammer asked that cities/villages have their officials and/or planning staff review the stormwater runoff proposal and get in your

comments to McIntosh and/or the Technical Advisory Committee representatives by March 10.

9. **Legislative Update.** Forbes McIntosh said the 2017-19 state budget review process will begin in a few weeks with agency hearings, then public hearings. DOT issues will be worth watching for in the state budget.

10. **Other New Business.**

- a. **Annual Meeting Reminder.** The DCCVA Annual Meeting with Executive Committee elections and external committee appointments is scheduled for May 3. Middleton Mayor Kurt Sonnentag will not be seeking re-election, so there will be an opening on the DCCVA Executive Committee. Sonnentag currently serves as DCCVA Vice President. Nominations for all Executive Committee positions will be taken from the floor at the May 3 meeting.
- b. **Susan West Re-appointment to the Dane County Lakes and Watershed Commission.** The DCCVA Executive Committee is recommending the reappointment of Middleton City Council President Susan West to the Dane County Lakes and Watershed Commission as the DCCVA representative. V. Waunakee Administrator Todd Schmidt made a motion to approve the re-appointment of Susan West to the Dane County Lakes and Watershed Commission, seconded by V. DeForest President Judd Blau, and approved on a voice vote.

11. **Future Meetings.** V. Windsor President Bob Wipperfurth offered to have Windsor host the November meeting. The remaining 2017 DCCVA meetings are:

- Wednesday, May 3, 2017, 5:30 p.m. (The Breakwater, Monona)
- Wednesday, July 19, 2017, 12 p.m. (Village of Dane)
- Wednesday, September 20, 2017, 5 p.m. (Village of Waunakee)
- Wednesday, Nov. 15, 2017, 12 p.m. (Village of Windsor)

12. **Adjourn.** C. Middleton Mayor Kurt Sonnetag made a motion to adjourn at 6:53 p.m., seconded by V. DeForest President Judd Blau and approved on a voice vote.