

# MINUTES

## *Dane County Cities' and Villages' Association*

May 2, 2018

### ATTENDANCE:

Belleville:	President Roger Hillebrand, Administrator Brian Wilson
Black Earth:	
Blue Mounds:	
Brooklyn:	
Cambridge:	
Cottage Grove:	Trustee Melissa Ratcliff
Cross Plains:	President Pat Andreoni, Administrator Caitlin Stene
Dane:	President Roger Schmidt
Deerfield:	President Greg Frutiger, Administrator Elizabeth McCredie
DeForest:	President Judd Blau, Administrator Steve Fahlgren
Edgerton:	
Fitchburg:	Mayor Jason Gonzalez, Administrator Patrick Marsh
Madison:	Alder/CARPC Executive Chair Larry Palm, Alder Barbara Harrington-McKinney, Govt Relations Officer Nicholas Zavos
Maple Bluff:	
Marshall:	Administrator Adam Ruechel
Mazomanie:	Clerk/Treasurer Sue Dietzen
McFarland:	President Brad Czebotar, Trustee Carolyn Clow
Middleton:	Mayor Gurdip Brar, Finance Director Bill Burns
Monona:	Mayor Mary O'Connor, Alder Doug Wood
Mount Horeb:	
Oregon:	Trustee Jenna Jacobson
Rockdale:	
Shorewood Hills:	
Stoughton:	Mayor Tim Swadley
Sun Prairie:	Mayor Paul Esser
Verona:	President Elizabeth Doyle
Waunakee:	Administrator Todd Schmidt, Assistant Administrator Adam Bentley
Windsor	President Bob Wipperfurth, Administrator Tina Butteris
Others Present:	Forbes McIntosh and Ann Gryphan, GPS/DCCVA Stephen Steinhoff, Capital Area Regional Planning Commission Jerry Deschane, League of WI Municipalities

1. **Call to Order.** The business meeting was called to order by DCCVA Vice President Judd Blau (V. DeForest) at 7:20 p.m. the Great Dane Pub in the City of Madison. A quorum was present with 19 member communities represented.
2. **Approval of Minutes.** Adam Ruechel (V. of Marshall) made a motion to approve the minutes from the DCCVA meeting on March 7, 2018, seconded by Roger Schmidt (V. of Dane) and approved on a voice vote.
3. **Financial Report.** Treasurer Bill Burns (C. of Middleton) presented the financial report. As mentioned at previous meetings, the Villages of Rockdale and Black Earth chose not to be DCCVA members again this year. All other cities and villages in Dane County paid their dues for 2018, totaling about \$61,000 in dues. The largest expenditure is for lobbying/professional services. The year-end fund balance is expected to be about \$78,000. Bob Wipperfurth (V. of Windsor) made a motion to accept the financial report, seconded by Gurdip Brar (C. Middleton) and approved on a voice vote.
4. **Recognitions.** DCCVA Vice President Judd Blau noted that DCCVA President Jon Hochkammer chose not to run for re-election as mayor of City of Verona in April. DCCVA At-Large Executive Committee member Donna Olson also chose not to run for re-election as mayor of City of Stoughton. Although they were not in attendance at tonight's meeting, Blau thanked Hockammer and Olson for their many years of service on the DCCVA Executive Committee and as public elected officials. Hochkammer served as DCCVA president since 2009, Donna as at-large Executive Committee member since 2011. They were recognized with awards, which will be delivered to them.
5. **Year in Review.** Delivering the year in review, Blau noted that jurisdictional transfer of county roads was included in the populous county bill that passed the legislature earlier this year, at the request of DCCVA. Blau noted that this bill passed on a bipartisan basis.
6. **Election of Officers.** The membership held elections for the 2018-19 DCCVA officers.
  - a. **President:** DCCVA Vice President Judd Blau (V. DeForest) presided over the election of the DCCVA president. Bob Wipperfurth, Village of Windsor president, was nominated by Adam Ruechel (V. of Marshall) to serve as DCCVA president. Gurdip Brar, City of Middleton mayor, was nominated by Mary O'Connor (C. Monona) to serve as president. A secret ballot vote was conducted and tallied. Wipperfurth was elected DCCVA president.
  - b. **Vice President:** Wipperfurth presided over the remainder of the elections. Judd Blau, Village of DeForest president, was nominated by Brad Czebotar (V. McFarland). There were no other nominees. Nominations were closed and Judd Blau was elected vice president by unanimous consent
  - c. **Secretary:** Since Bob Wipperfurth was just elected president, the Secretary position is open. Paul Esser, City of Sun Prairie mayor, was nominated by Todd Schmidt (V.

Waunakee) to serve as secretary. There were no other nominees. Nominations were closed and Paul Esser was elected secretary by unanimous consent.

- d. **Treasurer:** Bill Burns (C. of Middleton) was nominated by Gurdip Brar (C. of Middleton) to serve as treasurer. There were no other nominees. Nominations were closed and Bill Burns was elected treasurer by unanimous consent.
- e. **Past President/Member-At-Large:** This seat can be held by either a past president of DCCVA, or if there are no longer any other past presidents still serving as an elected official and involved in DCCVA then by an at-large member. Gurdip Brar, City of Middleton mayor, was nominated by Mary O'Connor (C. Monona) to serve as an at-large Executive Committee member. There were no other nominees. There were no other nominees. Nominations were closed and Gurdip Brar was elected At-Large member by unanimous consent.

- 7. **Nominating Committee.** The president selects the members who serve on the DCCVA Nominating Committee, which has not met in a few years. Bob Wipperfurth said he will bring forward names to serve on this committee at a future Executive Committee meeting. They would need to be approved by the Executive Committee.

- 8. **Appointments to External Committees.**

- a. **Capital Area Regional Planning Commission:** Sun Prairie Alder Maureen Crombie's seat on CARPC is up for appointment/reappointment. She is interested in being reappointed. There are no other nominees. Patrick Marsh (C. Fitchburg) made a motion to reappoint Maureen Crombie to CARPC, seconded by Sue Dietzen (V. Mazomanie) and approved on a voice vote.
- b. **Lakes and Watershed Commission:** There are no terms up for reappointment.
- c. **DaneCom Governing Board:** Jonathan Freud, who has served on this board as a DCCVA representative, was not re-elected to the City of Sun Prairie Council in April. Per DCCVA bylaws, appointments to external boards/commission are preferred to be held by elected officials, or if no elected official is willing or able to serve, then by a city or village administrator/employee. This would exclude Freund from continuing to serve on the DaneCom Governing Board. The members agreed that DCCVA should try to have an elected official serve on this board and should send out a notice to DCCVA members about a vacancy on the DaneCom Governing Board.
- d. **Madison Area Transportation Planning Board.** Although DCCVA does not have a direct appointment to the TPB, many cities and villages at tonight's meeting are a part of the MPO and will be casting votes for a small city/village representative. The two nominees for this seat – Carolyn Clow (alder, Village of McFarland) and Doug Wood (alder, City of Monona) – attended tonight's DCCVA meeting and spoke briefly about their qualifications to serve on the Madison Area Transportation Planning Board.

- 9. **Legislative/Policy Update:**

- a. **Jurisdictional transfer of county roads:** Jurisdictional transfer of county roads continues to be a problem throughout the county. The members discussed either trying to have a study done to examine the problem or to meet with county board members about the issue. Forbes McIntosh suggested perhaps coming up with both a short-term goal and a long-term goal to resolve the problem.
- b. **Judd Blau (V. DeForest)** noted that a state law that exempts machinery, tools and equipment from the personal property tax is being used by businesses to exclude many types of business equipment such as chairs from the personal property tax – which he doesn't believe was the intent of the law and leading to lost tax revenue. Jerry Deschane said the law was written sloppily and is a statewide problem. Steve Fahlgren (V. DeForest) encouraged cities/villages to work with their assessors, but he believes DCCVA or League of WI Municipalities will have to pursue legislation on this.

10. **Next DCCVA Meetings:** The remainder of the 2018 DCCVA meeting schedule is:

- Wednesday, July 18, 2018: 12 PM – To be determined.
- Wednesday, September 19, 2018, 5 PM – Madison Metropolitan Sewerage District office
- Wednesday, November 14, 2018, 12 PM – City of Middleton

11. **Adjourn:** The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.