

## **DCTA Executive Board Meeting**

Wednesday, June 21, 2023

Primrose Town Hall

8468 County Hwy A, Verona, WI

Present: Derr, Pulvermacher, Anders, Olson, Mathies, Manering, Gibson.

Also Present: Lauber, DCTA; Dale Judd, Primrose Town Chair.

Meeting called to order at 7:02 pm by President Derr.

### **Approve 4/12/2023 minutes**

Motion: Pulvermacher/Gibson. Approve minutes as written. Carried unanimously.

### **Consider Financial Report**

Motion: Gibson/Manering. Approve financial report and request Lauber invest savings funds in 1 year CD to earn more interest. Carried unanimously.

### **Report out on DCTA/DCCVA Newly Elected Officials Meeting**

DCTA partnered with DCCVA on this event. Pre-registration was required but most of the town officials that registered did not show up. Town pre-registration was 20% of the people so DCTA paid 20% of food costs or \$120.

### **Discussion on how to use ARPA funding**

Dale Judd asked about using ARPA funding. The federal funding can't be used to pay debt or deposited into a pension fund. The Executive Board suggested that they use it on one or two specific items and clearly list the items separately in documents before authorizing spending.

### **Consider Meeting Location Strategy**

The connivence approach (meeting centrally or at existing board member town halls) versus the engagement approach (meeting in areas where we are trying to promote DCTA) were discussed. Holding the next meeting in Oregon, York, or Roxbury was suggested.

### **Consider Speakers/Agenda for September Membership Meeting (Saltwise program asked to give a short presentation) Westport, Dunn**

The Board approved the request for a presentation from the Saltwise program. Having Michael Hillstrom from the DNR speak again about invasive species and mowing was also suggested.

### **Discuss/consider Budget and Personnel Panel role and CARPC**

Recent and planned retirements at CARPC were discussed and how this opens up an opportunity to discuss hiring an Executive Director. Currently things seem fine with CARPC having a working director. Overall DCTA would like to review, comment, and give feedback on CARPC's structure and hiring plan. Lauber will communicate this to Pfeiffer.

### **Consider policy recommendations for Dane County Regional Housing Strategy**

Lauber gave an update on committee meetings she has attended and policy conversations with Olivia Parry. She asked the group to consider supporting 4 policy recommendations: 1) allowing accessory Dwelling Unit's (ADU) as permitted uses (this could help supporting housing for aging in place), 2) siting and developing new farm worker housing to support Dane County farmers, 3) locate housing near transportation and services, and 4) assess the potential for housing in rural development areas near existing hamlets or concentrations of residential development for aging in place, and workforce housing (could be duplex, smaller sf, townhomes, etc.).

Concerns with ADUs being build for short term rental income and problems associated with rural party home rental were discussed. In addition, concerns were raised regarding Assembly Bill 266 (now Act 16) that establishes a new procedure for review of local residential land use decisions and appears to restrict local control. It was also noted that current FP-35 and FP-B zoning districts already allow, via CUP, a "secondary farm residence" for owners or "operators" of a farm.

Motion: Gibson/Manering. Recommend locate housing near transportation and services, and assessing the potential for housing in rural development areas near existing hamlets or concentrations of residential development for aging in place, and workforce housing. Carried unanimously.

#### **Update on quick guide from Dane Co Land and Water Department and consider request for US DOT Clean Fuels Infrastructure Grant support.**

Lauber has been checking on the progress of the quick guide, the Land and Water Department staff are working on it.

Motion: Mathies/ Manering. Support the US DOT Clean Fuels Infrastructure Grant. Carried. Pulvermacher opposed. There was further discussion on a representative for the group if the grant is awarded. Mathies recommended Verona Board member, Richard Oberle. The group agreed he would be a fine representative if he is interested.

#### **Discuss using Greater Madison MPO data to help towns**

Mathies reported information gained from a webinar he attended. The MPO has crash, street light data, traffic volumes, road ratings, etc. They could report back to towns on the most dangerous intersections in the county or provide info that could be used to apply for safety grants. Lauber will contact the MPO and ask about what data/services they can provide towns.

#### **Legislative Update**

Derr noted that recent legislation codified town licensing authority in state law.

#### **Adjourn**

Motion: Pulvermacher/Gibson. At 8:57 PM