

DCTA Membership Meeting
January 15, 2025
Westport Town Hall
5387 Mary Lake Road, Waunakee, WI

Present: **Albion:** Larry Beck; **Bristol:** Brian Willison; **Christiana:** Dawn Redford; **Dunkirk:** Ted Olson; **Dunn:** Ben Kollenbroich; **Cottage Grove:** Kristi Williams, Mike DuPlayee, Steve Anders, Kris Hampton; **Cross Plains:** Greg Hyer; **Middleton:** Cynthia Richson; **Oregon:** Laurie Fitzgerald, Carl Walser; **Primrose:** Martha Gibson; **Rutland:** Jim Dorn, Kent Knutson, Nancy Nedveck, Mark Porter; **Springdale:** John Rosenbaum, Amy Jester; **Springfield:** Dave Laufenburg; **Sun Prairie:** Lyle Updike; **Verona:** Mike Duerst, Mark Geller, David Lonsdorf, Tom Mathies; **Vienna:** Jerry Marx; **Westport:** Dean Grosskopf, Mary Manering, John Cuccia; **York:** Dean Helwig.
Also Present: Renee Lauber, DCTA; Todd Violante, Dane County Planning; Majid Allan, Dane County Planning; Jeffrey Kroning, Dane County Board Supervisor 21; Don Postler, Dane County Board Supervisor 29; Jason Valerius, Capital Area Regional Planning Commission; Melissa Agard, County Executive; Aaron Collins, Deputy Chief of Staff for the County Executive.

Note: Prior to the meeting DCTA District 1 towns of York, Bristol, and Sun Prairie met and elected Brian Willison as their representative on the DCTA Executive Board.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM by President Mathies.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Resolution Honoring Jerry Derr read.

Approval of 9/18/2024 Membership Meeting minutes

Motion: Manering/Hampton. Approve September minutes. Carried.

Consider DCTA 2025 Operating Budget

Motion: Helwig/Updike. Approve Operating Budget. Carried.

Discussion of Ordinance Amendment Regarding the Review Process for Condition Use Permits,
Majid Allan, Dane County Senior Planner.

Link to presentation: <https://danecotowns.net/wp-content/uploads/2025/01/OA-23-Presentation-for-DCTA-1-15-25.pdf>

Allan gave a presentation followed by an extensive question/answer session. Towns expressed concerns regarding: losing their ability to reject conditional uses and the ability of applicants to alter an application between town and county review. Future work to address the application issue, consider moving some conditional uses to new zoning districts, and preparing guidance for comprehensive plan amendments were discussed.

Updates: CARPC, Jason Valerius reported that CARPC has done strategic planning and will be discussing farmland preservation at their February meeting. They are trying to elevate farmland preservation in the context of the very rapid growth that Dane County is seeing.

Presentation of Dane County Budget Highlights and Plans for 2025, County Executive Melissa Agard.

Agard highlighted several budget items including highway projects, affordable housing, broadband initiatives and behavioral health. She invited attendees to send suggestions to her for the 2026 county budget and took questions from meeting participants.

Zoom link: [Zoom Link](#), Passcode: C8CR?Q+

Adjourn

Motion: Richson/Gibson. Adjourn.