Minutes DCTA Executive Board May 3, 2016 Primrose Town Hall 8468 County Hwy A, Verona, WI 53593

Present: Olson, Roehl, Elkins, Pulvermacher, Anders

Also Present: Renée Lauber, Mark Hazelbaker, Dale Judd (arrived at 8:00 PM)

Meeting called to order by Tim Roehl at 7:15 PM

Pledge of Allegiance

Review and consider minutes

Motion: Pulvermacher/Olson. Approve 3/16/16 Executive Board Minutes. Anders abstained. Motion carried.

Motion: Pulvermacher/Olson. Approve 3/30/16 Membership Meeting Minutes. Carried unanimously.

Review Financial Statements

Motion: Anders/Pulvermacher. Approve financial statements and payment of per diem fees. Carried unanimously.

Review Membership

Membership dues payments reviewed. Renée will set up a meeting with Blooming Grove.

Update on 4/27/16 CARPC and Appointing Authorities meeting

Tim, Mark and Renée gave a report on the meeting. Discussion centered on proposals to get rid of the BPP, remove Dane County from CARPC Commission appointments, remove the CARPC tax from the county levy, and Mayor Soglin wanting clear initiatives/paperwork before having another meeting.

Review progress on Proof of Concept Zoning Ordinance and discuss next steps

Mark passed out copies of the draft ordinance (71 pages), gave an overview of the proposed new zoning code and answered detailed questions. (Note: Renée took those questions and incorporated them into the FAQ document that is attached.)

Funding for continued work on the zoning code and setting up an administrative process was discussed.

Dale initiated a discussion on DCTA Membership. What does DCTA do for towns? The following was discussed:

- <u>EMS Levy Transfer</u>: When Dane County decided to stop paying for EMS liability insurance which it had covered for decades (and shift \$120,000 a year in costs to local units), DCTA fought the County's decision and obtained an order which allowed Towns to increase levy limits. We established the principle that the County cannot transfer costs to towns.

- <u>Fought Mandatory County Zoning System</u>: DCTA has worked hard to secure the option for towns to adopt their own zoning and to allow towns to make their own land use decisions. We are working with towns to develop a new zoning ordinance and program administration.
- <u>Professionals Available for Questions:</u> DCTA legal counsel and planning consultant provide ongoing advice and counsel for towns and focus on issues likely to be experienced by Dane County towns. Renée Lauber is currently helping Dunkirk evaluate farmland preservation programs and Mark Hazelbaker is assisting several towns.
- Regional Planning Monitor: Monitor regional planning policies and the Capital Area Regional Planning Commission. DCTA stopped a proposed CARPC policy change to Water Quality Appendix I which would have set overly restrictive per day effluent restrictions on on-site wastewater systems. DCTA also monitors CARPC's budget and has worked to keep it the Commission from almost doubling expenses.
- <u>DaneCom Renegotiation:</u> Worked with the cities and villages group to press the County to make the new radio system work properly without further expense to the towns. We successfully opposed the County's attempt to push a new intergovernmental agreement on the towns, preserving the town's ability to decide whether or not to continue paying for operation and maintenance of the radio system.
- <u>Farmland Preservation Update</u>: We worked with the DATCP and the County to assure that recent updates to the Farmland Preservation Plan were reasonable for farmers and towns.
- <u>Insurance Policy for Rural Towns:</u> First and foremost, DCTA represents towns. Over the years we have helped represent towns with limited budgets. We helped Cross Plains oppose strip club, wrote an amicus brief for Perry and will continue to provide assistance to keep

Set agenda for 5/18 Membership Meeting

Whether or not to have the Membership Meeting on 5/18 was discussed. Consensus was to have the meeting. Locations were discussed. Burke was the first choice, Cottage Grove second and Middleton third.

9:00 Adjourn