



# City of Madison

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## Meeting Minutes - Approved COMMITTEE ON THE ENVIRONMENT

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Monday, August 19, 2019

4:30 PM

Meets the 3rd Monday of the month.  
210 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.  
Room 108 (City-County Building)

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### CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order by Chair Bookland at 4:31 pm, following verification that a quorum was present and the meeting had been properly noticed.

**Present:** 5 - Avra Reddy; Kenneth G. Johnson; Tyler D. Leeper; Elizabeth A. Bookland and Dea Larsen Converse

**Excused:** 1 - Patrick E. Delmore

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Leeper, seconded by Larsen Converse, to Approve the Minutes. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

none

### DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

none

### NEW BUSINESS

- 1      [55206](#)      SUBSTITUTE - Accepting the final report and recommendations from the Urban Forestry Task Force.  
  
**Attachments:**      [2019 Urban Forestry Task Force Final Report/Recommendations.pdf](#)  
                                  [9/3/19 Si Widstrand Email.pdf](#)  
                                  [8/12/19 SUBSTITUTE Page 11 / Urban Forestry Task Force Report.pdf](#)  
                                  [8/2/19 Sandra Ward Email TPPB Members.pdf](#)  
                                  [7/22/19 SMC Proposed Amendment to Resolution.pdf](#)  
                                  [7/3/19 UDC Recommendation ForestryReport.pdf](#)  
                                  [4/4/19 UFTF Meeting - Early Draft for Discussion.pdf](#)  
                                  [UFTF Report Parks Comments Memo.pdf](#)  
                                  [v1.pdf](#)  
                                  [Comment to Park Commission on Trees Report.pdf](#)  
                                  [UFTF report Parks staff recommendations for BPC consideration.pdf](#)

Recommendation: ADOPT with Sustainable Madison Committee proposed amendment.

**A motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Leeper, to Return to Lead with the Following Recommendation(s): ADOPT with Sustainable Madison Committee proposed amendment, to the BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS. The motion passed by voice vote/other.**

- 2      [57098](#)      Small Engine Tool Emissions and Lawn Tool Exchange Program  
  
**Attachments:**      [DRAFT Lawn Tool Rebate Program Outline.pdf](#)

**Stacie Reece (Sustainability Coordinator), Charles Hua (Intern), and Alder Foster led the discussion about the existing Atwood lawn tool library as well as starting an incentive program to encourage the purchase of electric lawn tools. Members agreed that it's not logical that people would walk more than a block to get a lawn tool. They also stated the emissions from driving cross town would cancel out that of borrowing an electric tool. Group collectively agreed that incentivizing the purchase of electric lawn mowers could make a sizeable impact on emission reductions and get reduce the gas mowers out there. Group to look at drafting some policy language and figuring out how to fund.**

- 3      [54745](#)      Follow Up Discussion on Salt Issues

**Stacie Reece, Sustainability Coordinator, gave an update on the engineering controlled water softeners and changes within the Facilities Management team and how these will be handled in the future.**

**REPORTS**

- [42158](#)      Report of Chair  
  
                  none

[42161](#) Report from Solid Waste Advisory Committee

none

[42159](#) Report from Board of Public Works

none

[42160](#) Report from Water Utility Board

none

[56353](#) Report from Alder

**Alder Reddy reported she has been working on trying to get some students to apply to be on committees.**

[42162](#) Report from Board of Health for Madison and Dane County

none

[42163](#) Staff Report

**Eberhardt reported that the September meeting will be in room 103A CCB.**

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

**A motion was made by Leeper, seconded by Johnson, to Adjourn at 6:16pm. The motion passed by voice vote/other.**