

Town of Verona  
Natural and Recreational Areas Committee Minutes  
Town of Verona meeting  
11-22-22

**Present:** Bill Keen, Jo Tucker, Rosemary Bodolay, Kirk Feller  
**Absent:** Dave Lonsdorf

Chair Keen called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM

**Approval of Agenda-** Motion by Bodolay, Second Tucker, passed 4-0

**Approval of Minutes from October 18, 2022:** Motion to approve Tucker, Second Bodolay, passed 4-0

**Public Comments-**None

**Update from Chair/ Members:** Keen reported Dane County in negotiations with Rhiner for leasing land and house for at least 1 year and up to 4 as County decides what to do with the property along the Badger Mill Creek. Bodolay presented copy of report received by Town that MSA had done an inspection of the Town stormwater pond and found items that need attention. NRAC members feel this was a good step and would like Dave Lonsdorf to follow up with Board on repair/maintenance items recommended by the report (who will do them, when, etc.). NRAC also would like to see the Board discuss whether they would now be comfortable requiring that other stormwater ponds be routinely inspected for problems.

**Update from Board Member:** Lonsdorf sent email stating that prairie management is moving ahead. There is \$5000 in the budget that has to be voted on at the town meeting on November 29<sup>th</sup>.

**Discuss NRAC priorities for 2023:** Lonsdorf will present these at next board meeting, and NRAC requests affirmation from Board that these align with Board goals for 2023.

#1 Update the NRAC plan for 2024-2029

#2 Help create education programs for the town citizens. These would be along the lines of the previous Town-sponsored educational meeting on planning procedures. Some examples might be:

Farmland protection

Housing Development projections

Water protection and flood management

Ice Age Trail progress and needs (perhaps IAT would like to co-host this one)

#3 Update significant natural features and public lands on town maps and add to the Town website to help with landowner recognition and protection, and to help promote and guide recreational activities. This includes making a map of public access and parking to recreational points within the town.

#4 Initiate and get professional group to maintain and improve the town's prairie. This priority is to be voted on at the town budget meeting.

Next meeting will be December 13 at 6:30 pm.

Motion to adjourn by Tucker, Second by Bodolay, Passed 4-0 at 7:16 p.m.

