

JOHNSON COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
April 19, 2022

BOARD MEMBERS:

Carolyn Buckingham, President
Bill Waldie, Vice President
Bonnie Winslow-Garvin, Secretary
Gene Zdrazil
Connie Mutel (via ZOOM)

STAFF MEMBERS:

Larry Gullett, Director
Dory Kjosa, Office Manager
Dave Gustafson, Asst. Op. Supt.
Wade Schultz, Op. Supt.

OTHER STAFF:

Susie Nehring, Asst. County Attorney
Lisa Green-Douglass, Board of Supervisors

President Carolyn Buckingham called the meeting to order at 5:31 pm.

Minutes:

Motion was made by Bill Waldie to approve the Johnson County Conservation Board Regular Meeting minutes of March 15, 2022. Second Bonnie Winslow-Garvin by with a unanimous vote.

Bills:

Motion was made by Gene Zdrazil to approve department 24 bills in the amount of \$30,191.97, department 32 in the amount of \$8,466.52, department 35 in the amount of \$69,677.61, department 40 in the amount of \$714.23, department 82 in the amount of \$30,193.34, department 83 in the amount of \$16,005.03, department 85 Sutliff Bridge/CRC Entry in the amount of \$62,380.66 and authorization to pay Simple Ray through SERF/BOS funds with the amount to be determined by the director. Second by Bonnie Winslow-Garvin with a unanimous vote.

Directors Report:

Director Larry Gullett reviewed staff activities and financial reports.

Discussion by Public:

Peter Byler introduced himself and spoke about agenda item 7.

Business:

1. Discussion/Action – The FY21 Annual Report and submission to the Board of Supervisors.

Motion was made by Bill Waldie to accept and authorize the submission of the FY21 Annual Report to the Board of Supervisors.

2. Discussion/Action – Authorization to enter into an Authorization to Buy and Acceptance Agreement with Linn County REC to acquire 2.93 acres to construct a tunnel under Highway 6 for connecting the Clear Creek Trail to Kent Park.

Motion was made by Bonnie Winslow-Garvin to authorize the Director to sign the Authorization to Buy and Acceptance Agreement with Linn County REC.
Second by Bill Waldie with unanimous vote.

3. Discussion/Action – Review construction documents and specifications for the Kent Park Campground Shower House and Wastewater System Project and set a date for a public hearing.

Motion was made by Bill Waldie to set a public hearing for May 2nd at 5:30 pm to approve the documents and specifications for the Kent Park Shower House and Wastewater System Project. Second by Gene Zdrazil with unanimous vote.

4. Discussion/Action – Requests to serve as a third-party easement holder on Stream Mitigation Projects and factors to consider.

Discussion only.

5. Discussion/Action – Pechman Creek Delta planning process as related to a potential wetland and stream mitigation bank.

Motion was made by Bonnie Winslow-Garvin to authorize the director to contact Applied Ecological Services about submitting a feasibility study proposal.
Second by Gene Zdrazil with a unanimous vote.

6. Discussion/Action – Update to the conservation departments 5-year capital plan.

Discussion only.

7. Discussion/Action – Temporary Ingress/Egress Agreement with Peter Byler for re-meandering a segment of Rapid Creek as part of a stream mitigation bank.

Motion was made by Bill Waldie to adopt the agreement with Peter Byler contingent on the Corps of Engineers approving a stream mitigation project permit. Second by Gene Zdrzil with a unanimous vote.

8. Discussion/Action – Resolution and Management Agreement with the Iowa Tribe of Kansas and Nebraska to manage 7 acres within the boundary of the Two Horse Farm.

Discussion only.

9. Discussion/Action - Closed session regarding potential purchase of particular real estate. Possible closed session per 21.5(1)(j) Code of Iowa to discuss purchase of particular real estate where premature disclosure could be reasonably expected to increase the price the governmental body would have to pay for that property.

No closed session held.

Announcements/Correspondence:

Phebe Timber Dedication – Saturday, April 30, 2022, 1 – 3 pm.

Public Hearing for the Campground Shower House and Wastewater System Bid Documents – Monday, May 2, 2022, 5:30 pm - Conservation Education Center at Kent Park

Next Regular Meeting of the Conservation Board – Tuesday, May 17, 2022, 5:30 pm – Conservation Education Center at Kent Park

Meeting to Review and Accept a Bid for the Campground Shower House and Wastewater System – Thursday, May 26th, 2022 – Conservation Education Center at Kent Park

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:48 pm.

The above minutes were read and approved by the Johnson County Conservation Board the 17th day of May, 2022.

Signature on File
Carolyn Buckingham, President

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Bonnie Winslow-Garvin, Secretary