

JOHNSON COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
August 16, 2019

BOARD MEMBERS:

Alice Atkinson, President
Gene Zdrazil, Secretary
Bill Waldie
Larry Wilson
Connie Mutel

STAFF MEMBERS:

Larry Gullett, Director
Dory Kjosa, Office Manager
Brad Freidhof, Cons. Prog. Mngr.
Paul Bouska, Custodian

OTHER STAFF:

Susie Nehring, Asst. County Attorney

President Alice Atkinson called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm.

Minutes:

Motion was made by Bill Waldie to approve the Johnson County Conservation Board Regular Meeting minutes of July 16, 2019. Second by Gene Zdrazil with a unanimous vote.

Directors Report:

Director Larry Gullett reviewed staff activities and financial reports.

Discussion by Public:

Adrian Holmes, Iowa City and Carole Teator, Iowa Natural Heritage Foundation introduced themselves.

Business:

1. Discussion – Meet Paul Bouska, Custodian.

Discussion only.

2. Discussion/Action – Engineering and design services to develop the parking area at the Atherton Wetland as a trail staging area for the Hoover Trail.

Motion was make by Bill Waldie to proceed with the engineering and design of the Atherton parking area. Second by Larry Wilson with a unanimous vote.

3. Discussion/Action – Upcoming planning projects scheduled to begin this coming fall and winter.

1. Pechman Creek Delta
2. Clear Creek Trail – Half Moon Avenue to Kent Park
3. Schwab/Burford Acquisition

Discussion only.

4. Motion was made by Connie Mutel at 3:25 pm to go into closed session regarding potential purchase of particular real estate. 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. Second by Larry Wilson with a roll call vote as follows: Wilson, aye; Atkinson, aye; Waldie, aye; Zdrasil, aye; Mutel, aye.

5. Discussion/Action – Possible action based on closed session discussion items.

Motion was made by Larry Wilson to come back into open session at 4:14 pm. Second by Bill Waldie with a unanimous vote.

Motion was made by Bill Waldie to approve working with the Iowa Natural Heritage Foundation on the purchases of property 1 as discussed in closed session. Second by Larry Wilson with a unanimous vote.

Motion was made by Bill Waldie to authorize the Director to work with the Iowa Natural Heritage Foundation on property 2 as discussed in closed session. Second by Larry Wilson with a unanimous vote.

Bills:

Motion was made by Larry Wilson to approve department 24 bills in the amount of \$53,005.68, department 32 in the amount of \$2,549.26, department 40 in the amount of \$1,607.24, department 82 in the amount of \$88,059.91, department 83 in the amount of \$37,218.13, and department 85 in the amount of \$48,841.77. Second by Connie Mutel with a unanimous vote.

Announcements/Correspondence:

Next Regular Meeting of the Conservation Board – 5:30 PM, September 16th, 2019, Kent Park Conservation Ed Center

ICCS Annual Conference – September 17-19th, 2019, Muscatine, Iowa

Ribbon Cutting for the Lake Restoration Project – September 21, 2019

Adjournment:

Motion was made by Gene Zdrazil to adjourn at 4:25 pm. Second by Bill Waldie with a unanimous vote.

The above minutes were read and approved by the Johnson County Conservation Board the _____ day of _____, 2019.

Alice Atkinson, President

Gene Zdrazil, Secretary