

JOHNSON COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
April 16, 2024

BOARD MEMBERS:

Carolyn Buckingham, President
Bill Waldie, Vice President
Connie Mutel
Bonnie Winslow-Garvin
Gene Zdrazil

STAFF MEMBERS:

Larry Gullett, Director
Dory Kjos, Office Manager
Dave Gustafson, Asst. Op. Supt.
Wade Schultz, Op. Supt.
Brad Freidhof, Cons. Prgm. Mgr.
Charlie Bray, Ranger II

OTHER STAFF:

Ryan Maas, Asst. County Attorney
Lisa Green-Douglass, Board of Supervisors

President Carolyn Buckingham called the meeting to order at 5:46 p.m.

Minutes:

Motion was made by Bill Waldie to approve the Johnson County Conservation Board Regular Meeting minutes of March 19, 2024. Second by Gene Zdrazil with a unanimous vote.

Bills:

Motion was made by Gene Zdrazil to approve department 24 bills in the amount of \$22,693.51, department 32 in the amount of \$175.32, department 35 ARPA F.W. Kent Park Dump Station in the amount of \$975.93, department 35 ARPA F.W. Kent Park Shower House Site Improvement in the amount of \$4,700.00, department 40 in the amount of \$738.88, department 82 in the amount of \$2,953.99, and department 83 in the amount of \$11,675.00. Second by Bonnie Winslow-Garvin with a unanimous vote.

Closed Session:

1. Discussion/Action – closed session regarding law enforcement investigation. Possible closed session per 21.5(1)(g) Code of Iowa to avoid disclosure of specific law enforcement matters, such as current or proposed investigations or inspection or auditing techniques or schedules, which if disclosed would enable law violators to avoid detection.

Motion made by Bill Waldie to go into closed session at 5:49pm Seconded by Connie Mutel followed by roll call vote; Buckingham; aye, Mutel; aye, Waldie; aye, Zdrazil; aye. Winslow-Garvin; aye.

The board came back into open session at 6:30 pm.

Directors Report:

Director Larry Gullett reviewed staff activities and financial reports.

Discussion by Public:

None present.

Business:

1. Discussion/Action – Easements for the Clear Creek Trail extension to Kent Park.

Motion was made by Bill Waldie to approve the following easements and contracts: Clear Creek Township Trustees, David Stanton, John Martin, Kevin & Rachel Richardson, Paul Rogers & Susan Schwartz, and Walker Evans Construction, LLC. Second by Bonnie Winslow-Garvin with a unanimous vote.

2. Discussion/Action – Design and bidding Professional Services Agreement with Stanley Consultants for the Hoover Trail Crossing along Ely Road.

Motion was made by Connie Mutel to approve the agreement subject to final edits satisfactory to the Director. Second by Bill Waldie with a unanimous vote.

3. Discussion/Action – Sponsorship of a research project through Tom Rosburg, Drake University, on a native sand prairie relic on the south side of Iowa City.

Motion was made by Bonnie Winslow-Garvin to approve the sponsorship of the research project. Second by Bill Waldie with a unanimous vote.

4. 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.

Announcements/Correspondence:

Next Regular of the Conservation Board – Tuesday, May 21st, 2024, 5:30 pm –
Education Center at Kent Park.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm.

The above minutes were read and approved by the Johnson County
Conservation Board the 21st day of May 2024.

Signature on File
Carolyn Buckingham, President

Signature on File
Bonnie Winslow-Garvin, Secretary