

CLAYTON COUNTY CONSERVATION

BOARD MINUTES

JULY 11, 2017

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Clayton County Conservation Board was held Tuesday, July 11, 2017 at Buck Creek County Park. Chairman, Gary Kregel, called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. Other members present were Marilyn Lenth, Daryl Landsgard and Larry Stone. Absent from meeting was Pam Vaske. Staff present was Jenna Pollock and Molly Scherf. Guest in attendance was Jennifer Garms.

AGENDA

Stone made a motion to approve the agenda as is, Landsgard seconded it and the motion passed.

MINUTES

Corrections to the minutes were made by Stone and it was suggested by Garms that we code or cite the closed session from last meeting and any future meetings. Landsgard made a motion to approve the minutes with corrections, Stone seconded and motion passed.

COMMUNICATIONS

Pollock had no communications at this time.

CLAIMS

General Operations correction – Gregerson Electric bill will be paid by Brenton Building.

REAP – Final bill from Moyna Materials was over the original bid but Pollock stated it was justified.

Pollock reports that all FEMA projects have been concluded.

Stone made a motion to approve the claims, seconded by Lenth and motion carried.

BUDGET

Brenton Buildings was coded incorrectly for June claims. It will be corrected by auditor's office.

FICA/IPERS will also be corrected by auditor as this was a programing error.

OLD BUSINESS

1. FY18 Salary Approval – County approved a 1% salary increase. CCCB discussed the different options and came up with dollar amounts instead of using a percentage of the director's increase. Raises will be as follows: Pollock \$1,500, Mulford \$1,000, Anderson \$1,000, Scherf \$1,200, Slocum \$1,200, Harkrader \$1,000, and Kraus \$950. Hakert will receive \$16,660.80 as a yearly salary.

Lenth made a motion to approve the salary increase amounts, Landgard seconded and the motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Jennifer Garms, County Auditor Introductions – Jennifer spoke to board about how the auditors office can work with Scherf, Office Manager, on creating projects and removing/adding line items. It was suggested to perhaps do this with Heritage Days expenditure and revenues. Garms also said that her office can send out the claim checks instead of the conservation office doing it.

2. Pay App Request #2 for Shop – Architect has already signed off on this request. Stone made a motion to approve paying this request, Lenth seconded it and the motion carried.

3. Good Neighbor Iowa Request – This is a website listing parks that use no chemicals on their properties except for spot spraying. Clayton County parks would qualify but the board decided to not participate.

4. Funding Update/Conservation Talk Series – Pollock and Stone attended NE Iowa Forestry Advisory meeting on July 10th. They informed the rest of the board about what was all discussed. Pollock suggested a public information meeting at Osborne to discuss how funds like REAP works. The board wasn't sure how well received this would be. They suggested she use the radio series to inform the public.

5. Buck Creek Park Tour – Buck Creek is 103 acres of timbered land, stocked trout stream, and rustic campground.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS/EVENTS

July 15 Murkey Turkey Floatilla Elkader to Motor Mill (CAN & TRRC Supporters)

August Naturalist Choice

Sept 8 Monarch Release Party

Oct 14-15 Heritage Days

Dec 7 Holiday Walk

ADJOURNED

Motion was made by Lenth to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Stone and motion carried.

NEXT MEETING

August 8th 2:00pm Osborne