

Story County Conservation Board
February 14, 2019
Story County Conservation Center, Ames, Iowa

1. CALL TO ORDER: 5:30 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

BOARD MEMBERS	STAFF	GUESTS
Craig Meyers - present	Mike Cox	None
Nancy Franz – present		
Christine Laumer - present		
Ted Tedesco – present - telephone		
Jim Pease - present		
Rick Sanders – absent		

3. REVIEW OF AGENDA AND HANDOUTS-no additions or changes

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS-none

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – JANUARY 7, 2019
MOTION by Pease, SECOND by Laumer. MCU.

6. APPROVAL OF CLAIMS AND RECEIPTS
MOTION by Pease, SECOND by Franz. The sources of payment were clarified for the Dakins Lake and Hickory Grove Park reports from ISU CYBiz. MCU.

7. FINANCIAL REPORTS AND UPDATES
There were no questions.

8. CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS/MEETINGS1 Meyers noted several upcoming events including closure of the SCC offices for President’s Day, the photo contest submission date, and the next board meeting on March 11.

9. ACTION ITEMS

A. Approve Change Order #9 For Tedesco Environmental Learning Corridor – Bid Package #2 Trail Paving and Park Amenities With Boulder Contracting. LLC For \$1,492.65 And Recommend Approval by the Story County Board of Supervisors
MOTION by Tedesco, SECOND by Pease. MCU.

B. Consideration Of Amendment To Agreement With Shive Hattery And Recommendation To The Board Of Supervisors For Additional Design Services And Construction Administration Services For The Praeri Rail Trail In Zearing, Iowa In The Amount Of \$60,547.00. MOTION by Franz, SECOND by Laumer. The cost of these services correlate with the DOT grant requirements for the project. MCU.

C. Consideration Of Contract With Peterson Contractors Inc. And Recommendation To The Board Of Supervisors For Construction Of A Paved Trail On The Praeri Rail Trail In

Zearing In The Amount Of \$297,959.50. MOTION by Pease, SECOND by Tedesco. MCU.

- D. Consider Approval Of First Readings Of Revisions To The Story County Conservation Rules And Regulations. MOTION by Pease, SECOND by Laumer. MCU.
- E. Consider Firewood Contract With Finco Tree/Wood Service, LLC (for SCC campgrounds) MOTION by Laumer, SECOND by Pease. MCU.
- F. Consideration Of Employment Of Wessel For A Seasonal Position At Skunk River Unit MOTION by Tedesco, SECOND by Franz. MCU.

10. UPDATES

A. General Updates – Director Michael Cox

- a. User input is being collected on Petersen Park use, improvements, and regulations. The Board will examine the findings in April.
- b. The local Izaak Walton League will host with SCC a wing-shooting clinic conducted by the Iowa DNR in July.
- c. Two SCC administrative office positions are open and being filled. Transition plans are in place to cover workloads temporarily.
- d. Land acquisition in sensitive areas continues to progress.
- e. Phase 3 of developing the Tedesco Environmental Learning Corridor is proceeding without financial support of the City of Ames.
- f. FY20 budget changes from the original budget proposal were reviewed.
- g. The Skunk River Water Trail dedication set for June 1, 2019 has been cancelled and a new date has yet to be set.
- h. The March Board meeting will include consideration of the Heart of Iowa Nature Trail Master Plan. Input is being sought from adjoining cities.

B. Liaison Assignments, Committee Meeting Updates, and Announcements from the Board

- a. Pease – He and Franz have been working with staff and consultants on design of the sustainable cabin at Dakins Lake. Environmental Lobby Day is March 21, 2019 at the state Capitol.
- b. Laumer- Staff and Partners members are planning Get Outdoors Day on June 8, 2019. The event will be held at several parks and highlight outdoor recreation activities.

11. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Pease, SECOND by Laumer, to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

Recording Secretary

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