

Story County Conservation Board  
September 11, 2023  
Story County Conservation Center, Ames, Iowa

1. CALL TO ORDER: 5:30 PM

2. ROLL CALL

BOARD MEMBERS

Christine Laumer – present

Nancy Franz – present

Jim Pease – present

Craig Meyers – present

Ted Tedesco – present

Linda Murken – present

STAFF

Mike Cox

Marianne Harrelson

Russ DeWall

GUESTS

Kim Christiansen

Christine Hausner

3. REVIEW OF AGENDA AND HANDOUTS

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

5. STAFF REPORT – Russ DeWall, McFarland shop Operations Supervisor, submitted a written annual report and was available for comments and to answer questions.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

August 14, 2023. MOTION by Meyers, SECOND by Tedesco. MCU.

7. APPROVAL OF CLAIMS AND RECEIPTS

MOTION by Pease, SECOND by Tedesco. Board members questioned a few claims. Cox and Harrelson provided explanations. MCU.

8. FINANCIAL REPORTS AND UPDATES – Beginning FY24 and FY23 budget amendments did not get posted until September.

9. CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS/MEETINGS

The next board meeting is scheduled for October 9<sup>th</sup>.

10. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS (All items under the consent agenda will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a request is made prior to the time the Board votes on the motion.)

A. Consideration Of Proclamation Recognizing October 2023 As Watershed Awareness Month

B. Resolution No. 2024-01 Endorsing A Resolution To Temporarily Suspend The Refuge Status At Hickory Grove Park For A Controlled Goose Hunt

C. Resolution No. 2024-02 Resolution Endorsing A Grant Application To The State Dam Mitigation Grant Program For The Half Removal Of The Hannums Mill Dam

D. Consideration Of Distributed Generation Interconnection Request Agreements With Interstate Power And Light

MOTION by Franz, SECOND by Pease. MCU.

11. ADDITIONAL ITEMS

- A. Consideration Of Change Order No. 2 For McFarland Lake Renovation For \$69,760 From Aaron Crane Construction. MOTION by Franz, SECOND by Tedesco. Cox explained that there was a greater amount of soft sediment than anticipated and some additional dredging is needed. Because of this additional soft sediment removal, additional suitable hard bottom fill and additional dewatering are required. There is also an increase for a change in the classification of material and for loading material. MCU.
- B. Consideration Of Rules And Regulations For Youth And Persons With Disabilities Archery Hunting At Sleepy Hollow Special Use Area. MOTION by Meyers, SECOND by Tedesco. Board members had some questions/comments and Cox will address them with staff to see if any changes need to be made. MCU.

12. UPDATES

- A. General Updates: Director Cox updated the board on REAP assembly dates, grant applications, his vacation dates, HGP sewer and HOINT bid letting plans.
- B. Liaison Assignments, Committee Meetings Updates, and Announcements from the Board: Franz has been hiking and the trails and parks looking great. She attended the OWLS presentation and will be helping out at Wild Women of the Woods. Meyers continues to be a liaison with OASCO.

13. CLOSED SESSION - Pursuant to Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(j).

MOTION by Franz, SECOND by Pease. Roll call vote. The meeting moved into Closed Session at 6:36 PM.

MOTION by Tedesco, SECOND by Pease. Roll call vote. The meeting reconvened to Open Session at 7:30 PM

14. CONSIDERATION OF ACTION (IF NEEDED) FROM CLOSED SESSION – Board members directed Cox to proceed as discussed in the Closed Session.

15. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Meyers, SECOND by Tedesco, to adjourn. MCU. The meeting was adjourned at 6:58 PM.



Recording Secretary



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