

Story County Conservation Board
August 12, 2024
Story County Conservation Center, Ames, Iowa

1. CALL TO ORDER: 5:30 PM

2. ROLL CALL

BOARD MEMBERS

Jim Pease – present
Craig Meyers – present
Christine Laumer – present
Nancy Franz – present
Erica Place – present
Linda Murken – present

STAFF

Mike Cox
Marianne Harrelson
Russ DeWall

GUESTS

Rick Dietz

3. REVIEW OF AGENDA AND HANDOUTS

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

5. STAFF REPORT - Russ DeWall, McFarland Shop Operations Supervisor, reviewed his annual report and was available for comments and to answer questions.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

July 8, 2024. MOTION by Meyers, SECOND by Place. MCU.

7. APPROVAL OF CLAIMS AND RECEIPTS

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

8. FINANCIAL REPORTS AND UPDATES

9. SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING EVENTS/MEETINGS

The next board meeting is scheduled for September 9th.

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 August 2024 As Water Quality Month In Story County

B. Consideration Of Story County Conservation Rules And Regulations Change For Chapter V, Section 5.5, Subsection G. Use Of Archery Range

C. Consideration Of Resolution No. 2025-01 Endorsing A Resolution To Temporarily Suspend The Refuge Status At Leopold Woods For A Controlled Deer Hunt

D. Consideration Of Resolution No. 2025-02 Endorsing A Resolution To Temporarily Suspend The Refuge Status At Hickory Grove Park For A Controlled Goose Hunt

E. Consideration Of Contract With Nagle Signs, Inc. For Wayfinding Signs At Hickory Grove Park For \$13,996.07

F. Consideration Of Contract With Dan Moody For Fence Removal At Ronald "Dick" Jordan Family Wildlife Area For \$10,000.00

G. Consideration Of Contract With Daryl Schoppe Construction For Septic Installation At McFarland Park Shop For \$6,696.27

- H. Consideration Of Contract With Keith Cooper And Sons For Debris Clearing And Fence Installation On The Heart Of Iowa Nature Trail For \$31,033.50. (Unbudgeted)
- I. Consideration Of Utility Permit With Strand Associates For The Tedesco Environmental Learning Corridor
MOTION by Place, SECOND by Laumer. MCU.

11. ADDITIONAL ITEMS

- A. Consideration Of Resolution Petitioning The Story County Board Of Supervisors To Call An Election On The Proposition Of Entering Into One Or More Loan Agreements And Issuing General Obligation Bonds For The Purpose Of Funding Certain County Conservation Projects. MOTION by Meyers, SECOND by Franz. Pease provided some information regarding the bond. MCU by roll call vote.

12. UPDATES

A. General Updates: Director Cox updated the board on the upcoming staff appreciation event, hosting the District 1 meeting, meeting with Prairie Valley landowners, Hickory Grove wastewater, Heart of Iowa Nature Trail, Prairie Valley wetland, Trails Master Plan, dimmer lights on the bollards at McFarland Park, and Tyler Kelley's resignation.

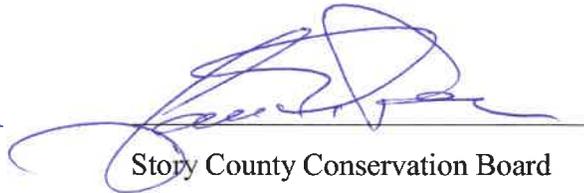
B. Liaison Assignments, Committee Meetings Updates, and Announcements on the Board: Laumer attended funding meetings and visited TELC and McFarland Park. Meyers assisted with the Zearing Days booth, running at the Hickory Grove trails, and will be helping with the Lincoln Highway Days booth. Franz met with Madi regarding helping with volunteer support and visited West Peterson Park and Hickory Grove Park. Place paddled the Skunk River and helped at the Colo Crossroads Day booth. Pease has been attending funding meetings and attended Erv Klass' funeral service. Murken has also been learning more about the bond.

13. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Franz, SECOND by Meyers, to adjourn. MCU. The meeting was adjourned at 6:49 PM.



Recording Secretary



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