

JONES COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Minutes from the meeting of March 9, 2020 at Central Park Nature Center, Center Junction, Iowa.

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Dean Zimmerman.

Present were Board Members: Dave Tabor, Dean Zimmerman and Jeff Pitlik. Staff present were Brad Mormann, John Klein and Jennifer Koopmann.

Introduction of Guests:

Jon Zirkelbach, and Mike and Cindy Davies

Approve the Agenda:

Dave made a motion to accept the March agenda with a change in meeting item order. Business Item e. **Possible closed session per Iowa Code Section 21.5 (1) (j.) To discuss the purchase or sale of particular real estate only where premature disclosure could be reasonably expected to increase the price the government body would have to pay for that property or reduce the price the governmental body would receive for that property** moved to the end of the meeting. Seconded by Jeff. All ayes. Motion carried.

Review & Approval of the February Regular Meeting Minutes:

Dave made a motion to accept the February meeting minutes. Seconded by Dean. All ayes. Motion carried.

Review and Approval of Expenditures and Revenues:

Dave made a motion to approve the expenditures and revenues. Seconded by Jeff. All ayes. Motion carried.

Staff Reports:

Dave made a motion to accept the staff reports. Seconded by Jeff. All ayes. Motion carried.

The Conservation Board welcomed Jeff Pitlik to the Board and thanked him for his time and willingness to serve on the JCCB.

Business Item:

Review of Central Park Camping Rates: Dave made a motion to approve the camping rates as presented for the 2020 camping season. Second by Dean. All ayes. Motion carried.

Central Park Cabin Furniture Acquisition: Dave made a motion to purchase cabin furniture for \$6,818 plus shipping for both cabins. Second by Jeff. All ayes. Motion carried.

Central Park 2020-21 Deer Management Zone Hunt: Jeff made a motion to approve the 2020-21 Deer Management Zone Hunt. Second by Dave. All ayes. Motion carried.

Approval of Seasonal Employees: Dave made a motion to approve Jake Pierce at \$13/hour with a start date of March 11 and Quinn Franklin at \$11/hour with a start date of April 13. Second by Dean. All ayes. Motion carried.

Additional Items:

Education Event Updates: Upcoming educational programs were shared with the Board.

Conservation Area and Project Updates: March 11, 2020 is the Mon Maq Dam Public Meeting at the Durgin Pavilion at Camp Courageous. Open House from 6-6:30 pm and meeting from 6:30-8:30 pm. Updates on the Central Park Lake rock placement along the shoreline for erosion control, cutting of invasive trees at Hamilton/Tapken Prairie and Central Park, a safety inspection through the County safety program, wood duck boxes are being built and placed as needed, the road at Pictured Rocks remains closed until the ice melts, and trees were purchased for the Eby's Mill tree planting that will be coordinated with an Eagle Scout project. A letter from a Jones County resident was given to the Board. The Lost Canyon project is scheduled for completion this spring, weather dependent.

Possible closed session per Iowa Code Section 21.5 (1) (j.) To discuss the purchase or sale of particular real estate only where premature disclosure could be reasonably expected to increase the price the government body would have to pay for that property or reduce the price the governmental body would receive for that property. Moved by Dave to go into closed session at 7:25 pm per Iowa Code Section 21.5 (1) (j.) to discuss the purchase or sale of particular real estate. Seconded by Dean. On roll call vote: Dean aye, Dave aye, Jeff aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Dave to exit closed session at 8:14 pm. Seconded by Jeff. On roll call vote: Dean aye, Dave aye and Jeff aye. Motion carried.

Adjournment: Dave moved to adjourn. Seconded by Jeff. All ayes. Dean adjourned the meeting at 8:20 pm.

The next meeting is planned for April 13, 2020 at 6:30 pm at Central Park.

