

JONES COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Minutes from the meeting of October 12, 2020 conducted as an electronic meeting due to the COVID-19 public health emergency.

Meeting was called to order at 6:31 pm by Russ VonBehren.

Present were Board Members: Dean Zimmerman, Megan Manternach, Jeff Pitlik, Russ Von Behren. Dave Tabor arrived at 6:40 pm. Staff present were Brad Mormann, Michele Olson and Jennifer Koopmann.

Introduction of Guests:

Approve the Agenda:

Dean made a motion to accept the October agenda. Seconded by Jeff. All ayes. Motion carried.

Review & Approval of the September Regular Meeting Minutes:

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

Review and Approval of Expenditures and Revenues:

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

Dave made a motion to approve the Director signing the monthly claims from the expenditure report until the Board returns to in-person monthly board meetings. Seconded by Megan. All ayes. Motion carried.

Staff Reports:

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

Business Item:

Review and Selection of Our ICCS District 6 Representative: Jeff made a motion to approve Steve Dixon as the ICCS District 6 Representative. Seconded by Dave. All ayes. Motion carried.

Review of a Nature Center Computer Firewall, License and Support Package: Dave made a motion to purchase the Nature Center Computer Firewall, License and Support Package. Seconded by Megan. All ayes. Motion carried.

Approval to Hire Jon Mootz as a Seasonal Employee: Dean made a motion to approve Jon Mootz as a fall/winter seasonal employee at \$11/hr. Seconded by Megan. All ayes. Motion carried.

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 Governmental Body Would Have to Pay for That Property or Reduce the Price the Governmental Body Would Receive for that Property. The Board discussed the Real Estate without going into a closed session.

Additional Items:

Education Event Updates: Updates on the School of the Wild at Central Park, the Twin Rivers Review Fall/Winter Edition, upcoming Fall programs, and the Eby's Mill Scout Project kiosk sign.

Conservation Area and Project Updates: Updates on Derecho storm cleanup, the County's insurance policy and FEMA, the Eby's Mill Wildlife Area November tree planting, and the North Fork Wildlands and Lost Canyon timber review with the DNR Forester.

Adjournment: Dave moved to adjourn. Seconded by Dean. All ayes. Russ adjourned the meeting at 7:50 pm.

The next meeting is planned for November 9, 2020 at 6:30 pm at Central Park.

