

**COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD
IOWA CODE CHAPTER 350**

PURPOSE:

The Conservation Board is authorized to acquire, develop, maintain, and make available to the inhabitants of the county, public museums, parks, preserves, parkways, playgrounds, recreational centers, county forests, wildlife and other conservation areas, and to promote and preserve the health and general welfare of the people, to encourage the orderly development and conservation of natural resources, and to cultivate good citizenship by sponsoring adequate programs of public recreation.

COMPOSITION AND TERM OF OFFICE:

The County Conservation Board shall consist of five (5) members, appointed by the County Board of Supervisors for a term of five (5) years, and shall be made up of residents of the county. Any vacancy that occurs other than expiration of term, shall be filled by appointment by the County Board of Supervisors and shall be appointed only to fill the unexpired term.

Members are selected and appointed based on their demonstrated interest in conservation matters and shall serve without compensation but may be reimbursed for actual expenses incurred in the performance of their official duties.

Members may be removed for cause by the County Board of Supervisors if the cause is malfeasance, nonfeasance, disability or failure to participate in Board activities as set forth by the rules of the Conservation Board.

MEETINGS: 350.3

The Conservation Board shall meet regularly each month and three members must be present to constitute a quorum. The Board shall have power to adopt by-laws, adopt and use a common seal, and to enter into contracts. The Board of Supervisors shall provide suitable office space for meetings and for the safekeeping of its records. Such records are subject to public inspection and reasonable hours. The Conservation Board shall annually make a full and complete report to the County Board of Supervisors of its transactions and operations of the preceding year. Such a report shall contain a full statement of its receipts, disbursements, and the program of work for the period covered and may include such recommendations as may be deemed advisable.