



**LEE COUNTY
CONSERVATION BOARD**

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**MINUTES OF THE August 13, 2013
MEETING OF THE LEE COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: William Mullan, Kevin Brothers, Mike Pulis, Rodger Whitaker, Sandra Fullhart-Snyder

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: none

EMPLOYEES PRESENT: Tom Buckley, Clint Oldfield, John Pawling, Diana Ver Dught

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Chair, Sandra Fullhart-Snyder at 6:00 pm at the Heron Bend Conservation Area, 2652 Highway 61, Montrose, Iowa 52639.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:

MOTION: Pulis/Whitaker
Approve July minutes as presented

Aye: Fullhart-Snyder, Brothers Whitaker, Mullan, Pulis

GUESTS OR INTEREST GROUPS: Ernest Schiller, Lee County Board of Supervisor, Joseph Fourdyce, Conservation Officer, Iowa Department of Natural Resources, Harry Sylvester, Three Rivers Conservation Foundation Board, Leroy Kent, Charleston, Iowa

APPROVAL OF BILLS

MOTION: Whitaker/Pulis
Approve bills as presented

Aye: Fullhart-Snyder, Brothers Whitaker, Mullan, Pulis

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL/REVENUE:

MOTION: Mullan/Whitaker
Approve financial and revenue reports as presented

Aye: Mullan, Fullhart-Snyder, Brothers, Pulis, Whitaker

FOUNDATION UPDATE: Buckley told the Board that the Foundation will be meeting Thursday, August 15 and informed the Board of donations received to date.

Buckley informed the Board that Johlas-Szalkowski had written and received a grant for funding the purchase of a kayak trailer.

Buckley told the Board that Quail Forever, Pheasants Forever and Whitetails Unlimited have all made donations to the Foundation earmarked for Outdoor Adventure Camp

PARK REPORT:

REQUEST FOR PARKING LOT AT CHARLESTON PARK

Kent asked the Board to place a parking lot on the west side of the park, additional tables and a fire pit.

Buckley explained to the Board and Kent that Charleston Park is a low maintenance area and is utilized very little.

Buckley suggested that he would like to see more public use of the area before investing the funds needed for that type of project. A farmers market was discussed and Buckley asked that interested parties contact the office.

A request to reserve additional camping sites for the special use permit in May of 2014 at Pollmiller Park campground by Sylvester of Country Trailers Camping Club, Buckley and Oldfield informed Sylvester that due to the time of year there should not be a problem.

Sylvester reported that the club had recently stayed at Chatfield Park and enjoyed their stay.

CONSIDER SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR WILSON LAKE DURING REDEO WEEK: Kevin Schark, Ottumwa Saddle Club.

Buckley informed the Board that this is an annual event and recommended the permit be granted.

CONTINUE DISCUSSION ON PARTY HUNTS IN LEE COUNTY WILDLIFE

AREAS: Fourdyce informed the Board of State Laws, the IADNR's authority as well as limitations, made suggestions and recommendations should the Board proceed with this

matter.

The Board requested that Park Rangers: Johnson and Oldfield be present at the next discussion.

Buckley informed the Board that a special meeting will need to be set up to inform the public prior to the Board taking any action on this matter.

FEMA UPDATE: Buckley informed the Board that he would be meeting again with FEMA representatives on Wednesday, August 14.

MOTION: Whitaker/Pulis
To Allow Special use permit to Shark of Ottumwa Saddle Club

Aye: Mullan, Fullhart-Snyder, Pulis, Whitaker, Brothers

DISCUSSION OF SHOWERS AND DUMP STATIONS AT WILSON LAKE AND POLLMILLER PARK: Buckley told the Board that showers and site specific dump sites were proposed in this year's budget but not funded. There is now a possibility for the funding for showers and dump stations at Wilson Lake and Pollmiller Park.

REVIEW AND APPROVE CODE OF CONDUCT:

MOTION: Mullan/Pulis
Adopt with additions at end, change as discussed

Aye: Mullan, Fullhart-Snyder, Brothers, Pulis, Whitaker

APPROVE NEW HIRE TEMPORARY MAINTENANCE ASSISTANT:

MOTION: Whitaker/Brothers
Approve new hire; Erica Yost, class 2, step 1 @10.91/per hour, effective August 20, 2013.

Aye: Mullan, Fullhart-Snyder, Brothers, Pulis, Whitaker

APPROVE REAP GRANT:

MOTION: Mullan/Pulis
To approve the REAP grant for the improvement to Pollmiller Park trail as submitted

Aye: Fullhart-Snyder, Brothers, Mullan, Pulis, Whitaker

ANNUAL CONFERENCE RESERVATIONS: Brothers told the Board that he will be unable to attend due to a prior commitment.

COMMENTS/COMMITTEE REPORTS FROM THE BOARD: Buckley presented a quote from the Croton Community Club to replace a wheel on the cannon.

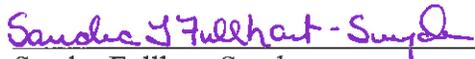
The Board requested a 50% match from the Croton Community Club. Kent offered to take a request to the American Legion for financial assistance.

NEXT MEETING:
September 3, 2013 at 6:00 pm at the Lee County Correctional Facility

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: Mullan/Pulis
I move we adjourn at 8:15 pm

Aye: Fullhart-Snyder, Mullan, Brothers, Pulis, Whitaker


Sandra Fullhart-Snyder
LCCB President


Kevin Brothers
LCCB Secretary