



# LEE COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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## MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 8, 2013 MEETING OF THE LEE COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** none

**EMPLOYEES PRESENT:** Tom Buckley, 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:** Mullan/Whitaker  
Approve as amended

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

**GUESTS OR INTEREST GROUPS: GUESTS:** Harry Sylvester, Three Rivers Conservation Foundation Board, Ernest Schiller, Lee County Board of Supervisor, Tom and Cindy Crew, Mary Sue Chatfield, Montrose River Front Development.

**A Discussion about Galland School:** With the assistance of Chatfield the Crew's approached the Board volunteering to maintain Galland School.

Crew told the Board that the area is heavily utilized by the public and he continually sees people there taking pictures.

Buckley informed the Board, Crew's and Chatfield that he has attempted for many years to find grants and/or funding to repair and maintain the school house but has not been successful. Buckley told the Board that he has also asked the Board of Supervisors and the Department of Natural Resources for financial assistance.

Buckley stated that LCCB only manages the property which is owned by the Department of Natural Resources and they are not interested nor do they have the funds to financially assist LCCB in putting any funds into the area.

Schiller stated that the Board of Supervisors did not feel comfortable putting money into property that is not owned by the County and that the school house is actually a replica of a replica and not on the original site.

Schiller encouraged any citizen interested in preserving Galland School to contact their area County representative.

Whitaker told the Crew's that the Board appreciated their interest but LCCB would have to put money into the school house for it to be safe for public use.

#### **APPROVAL OF BILLS:**

MOTION: Whitaker/Pulis  
Approve bills as presented

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

#### **APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL/REVENUE REPORTS:**

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

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

**FOUNDATION UPDATE:** Buckley informed the Board that the Board will be meeting next Thursday, October 17, 2013.

**PROJECT REPORTS UPDATE:** Buckley told the Board that the new roadway at Pollmiller was completed and updated the Board of the FEMA projects.

Buckley told the Board that maintenance would be turning off the water within the next couple weeks.

Buckley told the Board that there has been a request from a construction company to reserve a campground thru the winter months.

**REVISE NEW CONSERVATION BOARD PAY GRID:**

MOTION: Pulis/Brothers  
To approve revision of titles

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

**SET DATE FOR DISCUSSION ABOUT CONSERVATION CENTER WITH STAFF AND FOUNDATION:** The Board discussed several dates for getting together with Three Rivers Conservation Foundation Board and LCCB employees to talk about their options in obtaining a new facility or remodeling and possibly adding on to the current facility.

**REPORT FROM ANNUAL CONFERENCE:** Fullhart-Snyder informed the Board that the IACCB Fall Conference was very informative.

**DISTRIBUTE MATERIALS FOR DIRECTORS EVALUATION:** The Board was informed of the evaluation process and it was decided that Pulis would compile the results and report back to the Board in closed session on November 12, 2013, from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

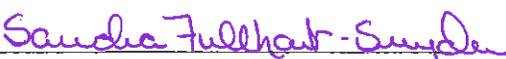
**COMMENTS/COMMITTEE REPORTS FROM THE BOARD:** A discussion took place of the numerous emails that Buckley has received and passed on to the Board from an individual. The Board requested their presence at a Board meeting to resolve the grievance and to clear up any misunderstandings with any process and procedures of the LCC Board, its Director.

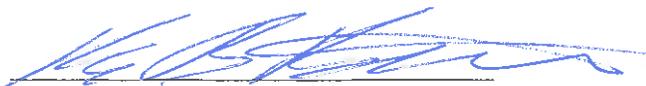
**NEXT MEETING:** November 12, 2013 at 5:00 pm, closed session and 6:00 pm open to the public at Heron Bend Conservation Area

**ADJOURNMENT:**

MOTION: Whitaker/Pulis  
I move we adjourn 7:47 pm

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

  
Sandra Fullhart-Snyder  
LCCB President

  
Kevin Brothers  
LCCB Secretary

