

LEE COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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MINUTES OF THE MAY 10, 2011 MEETING OF THE LEE COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: William Mullan, Gary Johnson, Kevin Taylor, Rodger Whitaker

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Alexandra Helmick

EMPLOYEES PRESENT: Tom Buckley, Diana VerDught, John Pawling, Clint Oldfield, Dustin Johnson, Rick Tebbs

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Chair, Rodger Whitaker at 6:00 pm in the Board's Office at Heron Bend Conservation Area, 2652 Highway 61, Montrose, Iowa 52639

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:

MOTION: Johnson/Mullan
Accept minutes of the April meeting as presented.

Aye: Mullan, Johnson, Taylor, Whitaker

GUESTS OR INTEREST GROUPS: Ernest Schiller, Lee County Board of Supervisors, Harry Sylvester, Three Rivers Conservation Foundation Board Margo Springer, Greg Hohl

APPROVAL OF BILLS: Buckley explained the bills to the Board.

MOTION: Mullan/Johnson
Accept bills as presented

Aye: Mullan, Johnson, Taylor, Whitaker

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL/REVENUE: Buckley went over the Financial and Revenue reports with the Board.

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

Aye: Mullan, Johnson, Taylor, Whitaker

Mullan asked the Board to move ahead to item #8 so that Springer and Hohl did not have to wait.

REVIEW REQUEST FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF DRILL RENTAL FROM 2005 – MARGO SPRINGER, GREG HOHL: Buckley introduced Springer and Hohl to the Board a lengthy discussion took place between Springer, Hohl, LCC Board the Director and employees Johnson and Tebbs.

MOTION: Johnson/Mullan
We stand on our previous decision

Aye: Mullan, Johnson, Taylor, Whitaker

PARKS REPORT: Buckley informed the Board that Hall's have been working on the road at Pollmiller removing the damaged asphalt from the parking lot across the damn and replaced it with packed gravel Buckley continued telling the Board that Halls had also took out patches of asphalt west of gate and replaced with packed gravel.

Buckley informed the Board that he has discussed this matter with the County Attorney and was informed to withhold the costs of repairs of the damage to the road from Superior Seawalls final payment.

Johnson asked Buckley to keep the Board informed on a monthly basis of the project.

Buckley told the Board that Sammons Construction has started cleaning up the areas affected by flooding and that he has filed for an extension due the delay because of these areas still flooding.

Buckley informed the Board that with the delay the claims for the 2011 flooding will likely be turned in after this 2010-2011 fiscal year which ends in June.

Buckley informed the Board that rural water is on in all the parks and that all the parks are open, the contract mowers have started.

FOUNDATION UPDATE: Buckley informed the Board that the next meeting is scheduled for April 21 at 4:00 pm.

Buckley told the Board that they are about half way done with furnishing the cabins and that he is working on a brochure for the cabins.

Buckley went on to say that maintenance is moving sod from the field north of the cabins to place around the cabins

FINAL REVIEW/ADOPTION OF MANAGEMENT OF NEW PROPERTY:

MOTION: Mullan/Taylor
To adopt new management rules for the new river property

Aye: Mullan, Taylor, Whitaker

Nye: Johnson

APPROVAL OF CONCESSIONAIRE FOR 2011 SUMMER SEASON: Tabled

APPROVAL OF CAMP HOST FOR POLLMILLER PARK: Buckley stated that they have held 3 interviews and recommended Kenny Stutsman a husband and wife team.

MOTION: Johnson/Mullan
To approve Kenny Stutsman for camp host at Pollmiller Park

Aye: Mullan, Taylor, Whitaker, Johnson

PROJECT REPORTS/UPDATE: Johnson asked if there would be minutes for the April 12, 2011 joint meeting between LCCB, LCHD and the Boards Liaisons.

Johnson informed the Board that he would like to discuss the Mission Ideas from that meeting in the future, stating that when ever LCCB asks other county department to perform work for them, it is at a cost.

Johnson also stated that he feels that LCCB may have to consider hiring additional help to man the Nature Center on the weekends; Buckley stated that he would like the Board to consider hiring Geerdes, Assistant Naturalist on full time to assist in filling in the gaps.

COMMENTS/COMMITTEE REPORTS FROM THE BOARD: Whitaker thanked the Board for their efforts in coming up with a management plan for the recently acquired 900 acres of Wetland property on the Mississippi that will be used for waterfowl hunting.

Mullan asked if LCCB kept a log on equipment rentals.

Buckley told the Board that there is a Rental Agreement with all equipment.
Mullan asked that a return time and date be added to the form.

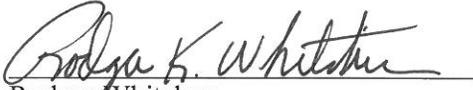
Mullan asked Buckley if the Inventory of LCCB, requested by IACCB had been completed.

NEXT MEETING: June 14, 2011 at 6:00 PM.

ADJOURN:

MOTION: Johnson/Mullan
To adjourn 7:40 pm

Aye: Mullan, Johnson, Taylor, Whitaker


Rodger Whitaker
LCCB President


Gary Johnson
LCCB Secretary