

Minutes for the Lee County Conservation Board

Meeting April 12, 2016

6:00 pm for regular meeting

Heron Bend, 2652 Hwy 61, Montrose, IA 52639

1. Call to order @ 6:00 pm by Sylvester

Roll Call: Whitaker X Holland A Fullhart-Snyder X Sylvester x Mullan x

Staff Present: Buckley, Tebbs, Bulger, Oldfield, Clark-Hudson

Special Guests: Don Hunold, Karla and Mac Broderson

2. Approval of previous minutes as written

MOTION to approve minutes as written

Mullan/Sylvester

Ayes: Mullan, Sylvester, Snyder, Whitaker

3. Guests or Special Interests groups

4. Approval of bills

MOTION: To approve bills

Whitaker/Mullan

Ayes: Mullan, Sylvester, Snyder, Whitaker

5. Approval of financials/revenues

MOTION to approve financials/revenues

Whitaker/Snyder

Ayes: Mullan, Sylvester, Snyder, Whitaker

Karla and Mac Broderson in attendance. Buckley suggested we move to #10

10. Consider allowing horseback riding at Chatfield Park on the trails

The Broderson's are requesting to be allowed to create trails at Chatfield Park for horseback riding. Broderson stated most of the work would not costly; it would just be manual labor to cut the trails. Buckley and Oldfield stated that this will lessen the undesirable use of the park. Discussion was had on the subject. Board decided to table this until a list of guidelines could be drawn up and contacts made regarding pros and cons of allowing the use requested. This topic will be on next month's agenda for a vote.

6. Foundation Report: Meeting was held April 21, Foundation will be changing accountants at the end of the fiscal year. Spring request for donations will be done in June.

7. Parks Report: Oldfield reported on 263 Camp nights, 12 cabin rentals, firewood production, taking reservations for summer rentals, firewood production, clean/inspect cabins and performed Park Patrol. The Pollmiller cabin should be ready for rental by the Memorial Day Weekend. There have been 2 water leaks at Pollmiller Park and repairs made. Trees have been planted at Wilson Lake. Buckley also updated the Board on the septic situation at Mooar and the related impacts to Chatfield Park

8. Education Report Bulger reported in class programs ending for the year, along with field trips starting. There were two days of archery at Fort Madison contacting 450 Students. There have been a number of public programs held at Lee Co Conservation Center. Other duties including animal care continue.

9. Wildlife Report: Tebbs reported prescribed burns, equipment repairs, landowner calls and organize files, CRP seeding and billing, clean vehicles, burned food plots. Billing for seed orders, equipment rentals have also been mailed.

11. Review/Approve Step Increase from Class V step 3 to Class V step 4 at \$18.25 for Assistant Naturalist.

MOTION to approve step increase for Assistant Naturalist

Whitaker/Snyder

Ayes: Mullan, Sylvester, Snyder, Whitaker

12. Review/approve bid for Wilson Lake Boat Ramp

One bid was received from Hickey Construction the bid amount was \$26,785.00

MOTION to award bid to Hickey Construction for \$26,785.00

Whitaker/Snyder

Ayes: Mullan, Sylvester, Snyder, Whitaker

13. Review/approve providing assistance for Maintenance duties

Buckley stated that there is a sheriff's deputy that can no longer perform his duties for the Sheriff's Office, but it would not limit the work he could do for maintenance. The Sheriff Office would continue to pay his salary and benefits, but allow him to work for us for 90 days.

MOTION to accept help for maintenance from the Sheriff's Dept

Whitaker/Snyder

Ayes: Mullan, Sylvester, Snyder, Whitaker

14.. Comments/Committee Reports Sylvester wanted transgender restroom use discussed. It was stated that our law enforcement staff is well trained and can handle it if the situation arises. A four wheeler ordinance is in discussion from the Board of Supervisors according to Hunold He wanted us to be aware of it.

17. Next meeting is June 14, 2016 at 6:00 pm at Lee County Conservation Center.

18. Adjournment

MOTION to adjourn at 7:05 pm

Whitaker/Snyder

Ayes: Mullan, Sylvester, Snyder, Whitaker

Harry Sylvester
LCCB President

William Mullan
LCCB Secretary