

JOHNSON COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
April 16, 2019

BOARD MEMBERS:

Alice Atkinson, President  
Larry Wilson, Vice President  
Gene Zdrazil, Secretary  
Bill Waldie  
Connie Mutel

STAFF MEMBERS:

Larry Gullett, Director  
Dory Kjos, Office Manager  
Wade Schultz, Operation Supt.  
Brad Freidhof, Cons. Prgm. Mgr.  
Aaron Ohlsen, Ranger  
Charlie Bray, Ranger

OTHER STAFF:

Susie Nehring, Asst. County Attorney

President Alice Atkinson called the meeting to order at 5:35 pm at the Kent Park Handicap Fishing Pier.

Larry Gullett updated the board on the Lake Restoration Project. The board recessed at 6:00 pm and reconvened at the Conservation Headquarters Building at 6:13 pm.

Minutes:

Motion was made by Larry Wilson to approve the Johnson County Conservation Board Regular Meeting minutes of March 19, 2019. Second by Bill Waldie with a unanimous vote.

Bills:

Motion was made by Bill Waldie to approve department 24 bills in the amount of \$16,970.00, department 32 in the amount of \$8,903.99, department 40 in the amount of \$475.58, department 82 in the amount of \$64,888.65, and department 83 in the amount of \$68,776.76. Second by Connie Mutel with a unanimous vote.

Directors Report:

Director Larry Gullett reviewed staff activities and financial reports.

Discussion by Public:

Joel Miller from HBK Engineering was present.

Business:

1. Discussion – Meet Aaron Ohlsen, Park Ranger I.

Discussion only.

2. Discussion/Action – Review plans and specifications for Northern Shop Phase 1 and set a public hearing date for April 23, 2019 for Plans, Specifications and Form of contract.

Motion was made by Larry Wilson to set a public hearing date of April 23, 2019 at the Johnson County Administration Building – Betty Sass Room for the Northern Shop Phase 1 Plans, Specifications and Form of contract. Second by Gene Zdrazil with a unanimous vote.

3. Discussion/Action – Set a public hearing date for comments related to adopting the revised and updated Rules and Regulations for all areas managed by the Johnson County Conservation Board.

Motion was made by Bill Waldie to publish a notice of consideration of the resolution to revise the Rules and Regulations for meeting date May 21, 2019. Second by Connie Mutel with a unanimous vote.

4. Discussion/Action – Agreement with the Iowa Natural Heritage Foundation to lease 33 acres adjacent to the Schwab/Burford acquisition.

Motion was made by Gene Zdrazil to approve the agreement with the Iowa Natural Heritage Foundation to lease 33 acres adjacent to the Schwab/Burford acquisition. Second by Connie Mutel with a unanimous vote.

5. Discussion/Action – Discussion to expand a staff persons job responsibilities to include residency at the Schwab/Burford acquisition.

Motion was made by Connie Mutel to have the Director and Asst. County Attorney develop the necessary documents that would allow for a staff residence on the Schwab/Burford acquisition and bring that back to the Board for consideration. Second by Larry Wilson with a unanimous vote.

The board took a break from 8:15 – 8:27 pm

6. Discussion/Action – closed session regarding potential purchase of particular real estate. Closed session per 21.5(1)(j) Code of Iowa to discuss purchase of particular real estate where premature disclosure could be reasonably expected to increase the price the governmental body would have to pay for that property.

Motion was made by Bill Waldie at 8:28 pm to go into closed session regarding potential purchase of particular real estate. Closed session per 21.5(1)(j) Code of Iowa to discuss purchase of particular real estate where premature disclosure could be reasonably expected to increase the price the governmental body would have to pay for that property. Second by Connie Mutel with a roll call vote as follows: Wilson, aye; Atkinson, aye; Zdrazil, aye; Mutel, aye; Waldie, aye.

Motion was made by Larry Wilson to come back into open session at 9:35 pm. Second by Gene Zdrazil with a unanimous vote.

Motion was made by Bill Waldie to authorize the Director to continue with negotiations consistent with the manner discussed in closed session regarding property #2. Second by Larry Wilson with a unanimous vote.

Motion was made by Bill Waldie to authorize the Director to enter into a purchase agreement to acquire the property consistent with the manner discussed in closed session regarding property #3. Second by Larry Wilson with a unanimous vote.

Announcements/Correspondence:

Next Regular Meeting of the Conservation Board – May 21, 2019 at the Kent Park Conservation Education Center.

Adjournment:

Motion was made by Gene Zdrazil to adjourn at 9:41 pm. Second by Larry Wilson with a unanimous vote.

The above minutes were read and approved by the Johnson County Conservation Board the 21 day of May, 2019.



Alice Atkinson, President



Gene Zdrazil Secretary