

JOHNSON COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
July 21, 2020

BOARD MEMBERS:

Gene Zdrazil, President
Bill Waldie, Vice President (via Zoom)
Larry Wilson, Secretary (via Zoom)
Carolyn Buckingham (via Zoom)
Connie Mutel (via Zoom)

STAFF MEMBERS:

Larry Gullett, Director
Dory Kjosa, Office Manager
Wade Schultz, Operations Supt.
Brad Freidhof, Cons. Ed. Supt. (via Zoom)

OTHER STAFF:

Susie Nehring, Asst. County Attorney (via Zoom)

President Gene Zdrazil called the meeting to order at 5:32 pm.

Business:

1. Discussion/Action – Presentation of the concept plan for the Pechman Creek Delta entry area. ASTIG Consultants.

V. Fixmer-Oraiz, ASTIG; Michael LeClere, Martin Gardner Architects; Steve Ford, Steve Ford Landscape Architecture; Grant Finch, Shoemaker Haaland and Adam Mangold, Shoemaker Haaland introduced themselves and presented the concept plan for the Pechman Creek Delta entry area. Discussion only.

Minutes:

Motion was made by Connie Mutel to approve the Johnson County Conservation Board Regular Meeting minutes of June 16, 2020. Second by Larry Wilson, with a unanimous vote.

Bills:

Motion was made by Larry Wilson to approve department 24 bills in the amount of \$38,946.28, department 32 bills in the amount of \$7,753.05, department 40 in the amount of \$1,753.59, department 82 in the amount of \$69,147.62, department 83 in the amount of \$27,494.81, and department 85 in the amount of \$49,847.84. Second by Bill Waldie with a unanimous vote.

Directors Report:

Director Larry Gullett reviewed staff activities and financial reports.

Discussion by Public:

No public present.

Business:

2. Discussion/Action – Authorization to submit a REAP grant for acquisition of the Malinda V. Reif Reilly Fen and Prairie.

Motion was made by Bill Waldie to authorize the Director to submit a REAP grant for the acquisition of the Malinda V. Reif Reilly Fen and Prairie. Second by Larry Wilson with a unanimous vote.

3. Discussion/Action – Naming of the property acquired through a donation/purchase agreement from Dick Schwab and Katherine Burford.

Motion was made by Larry Wilson to approve the name of Cangleska Wakan for the property acquired through a donation/purchase agreement from Dick Schwab and Katherine Burford. Second by Bill Waldie with a unanimous vote.

4. Discussion – Status of the conservation bond program/projects and potential need for another bond.

Discussion only.

5. Discussion – Transmission mitigation response to the COVID 19 emergency declarations.

Discussion only.

6. Motion was made by Bill Waldie at 8:36 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: Waldie, aye; Mutel, aye; Buckingham, aye; Wilson, aye; Zdrasil, aye.

Motion was made by Bill Waldie to come back into open session at 8:57 pm. Second by Connie Mutel with a unanimous vote.

7. Discussion/Action – Relative to items discussed in closed session – agenda item 6, if needed.

Discussion only.

Announcements/Correspondence:

Next Regular Meeting of the Conservation Board – August 18, 2020, Conservation Education Center at Kent Park.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.

The above minutes were read and approved by the Johnson County Conservation Board the 18th day of August, 2020

Signature on File
Gene Zdrazil, President

Signature on File
Larry Wilson, Secretary