

Minutes for the Lee County Conservation Board

Meeting January 10 2017

2 pm

: Lee County Conservation Center, 2652 Hwy 61, Montrose, IA 52639

1. Call to order at 2 pm by Sylvester

Roll Call: Whitaker  Holland  Fullhart-Snyder  Sylvester  Mullan

Staff Present: Buckley, Oldfield, Clark-Hudson, Steele, Johnson, Pawling

2. Oath of Office All Board members took the Oath of Office

Delivered by Denise Fraise Auditor Lee County

3. Approval of previous minutes as written

MOTION to approve minutes as written

Holland/Whitaker

Ayes: Sylvester, Holland, Mullan, Whitaker, Fullhart Snyder

4. Guests or Special Interests groups Don Hunold Denise Fraise

5. Approval of Bills

MOTION to accept bills

Whitaker/ Holland

Ayes: Sylvester, Holland, Mullan, Whitaker, Fullhart Snyder

MOTON to accept financials and revenues

Holland/Mullan

Ayes: Sylvester, Holland, Mullan, Whitaker, Fullhart Snyder

6. Foundation Update

Foundation mailing. Buckley reported that over \$4200 so far has been donated from this mailing to date. Sylvester asked that Foundation members be contacted to help out at Eagle Days this year

7. Parks Report

Oldfield reported on 24 camping nights; 25 cabin nights; cleaning and inspection of cabins and related maintenance grading brush removal prune trees, Fundraising letters, close parks for the season

8. Education Report

Steele reported on the school programs; 546 kids and public programs; Taught some archeology classes, teachers scheduling programs Very short handed as of right now, almost 30 applications were turned in for the position listed. Interviews scheduled

9 Wildlife Report

Johnson reported on landowner seeding; spring burn plan; Alliant project; swan feeding; and completion of the fish habitat grant. Johnson also worked with John in the parks doing maintenance. Buckley mentioned that trail cams now positioned at areas where people have been dumping trash to see if we can deter some of the dumping.

10. Request for sponsorship from Lee County Pheasants Forever

Buckley asked the Board to support the Lee County Pheasants Forever Chapter for their upcoming banquet. This is Pheasants forever's annual request and we always see a big return on the amount of money we pledge.

MOTION to sponsor Lee County Pheasants Forever in the amount of \$250

Whitaker/Holland

Ayes: Sylvester, Holland, Mullan, Whitaker, Fullhart Snyder

11 Review/Approve FY 2018 Budget

Buckley presented the 2018 budget to the board noting the projects that will be pursued in the upcoming year. A discussion ensued. Buckley indicated that most changes are due to salaries and benefits.

Discussion on possibility of Integrated Roadside Program

MOTION to approve FY 2018 Budget

Holland/Whitaker

Ayes: Sylvester, Holland, Mullan, Whitaker, Fullhart Snyder

12. Election of Officers

MOTION to maintain officer order from 2016

Whitaker/Holland

Ayes: Sylvester, Holland, Mullan, Whitaker, Fullhart Snyder

13. Comments/Questions from the board

Buckley suggests we advertize within 10 days for the director's position. He also recommends the whole board be involved in picking the new director. The applicant could request a closed session to interview.

14. Next meeting is 2/14/17 at 2 pm

15. Adjournment

MOTION to adjourn at 3:25 pm

Holland/ Whitaker

Ayes: Sylvester, Holland, Mullan, Whitaker, Fullhart Snyder

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Harry Sylvester  
LCCB President

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William Mullan  
LCCB Secretary