

Minutes for the Lee County Conservation Board

Meeting April 11 2017 6 pm

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

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

Roll Call: Whitaker Holland Fullhart-Snyder Sylvester Mullan

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

2. Approval of previous minutes as written

MOTION to approve minutes as written

Whitaker/Snyder

Ayes: Sylvester, Mullan, Whitaker Snyder

3. Guests or Special Interests groups Don Hunold Nathan Unsworth

Colin Magnuson KOKX	Rhonda Faeth, Faeth's Fowl Play	William Hall, Hall's Excavating
Robin Delaney Daily Democrat	Joe Paradee, Faeth's Fowl Play	Don Hall, Hall Towing
Chuck Vandenberg Pen City Current	Richard Azinger	Jim Noll, LCAA
JR Gerdes	Dick Fehske	Neil Dodd, Dodd Printing
Earl Stueckegergen, White Tails Unlimited	Brad Willson	Dawn Willson
Dave Behne	Sandi Behne	Gary Johnson
Sharon Johnson	Clark Griffin	

Lengthy and Detailed discussion was had led by Sandra Fullhart Snyder with the crowd in regards to qualifications and experience of current staff and our new hire for director. The Board listened to the comments and thanked those in attendance for their opinions and interest in the matter.

4. Approval of Bills

MOTION to accept bills

Whitaker/Snyder

Ayes: Sylvester, Mullan, Whitaker, Snyder

5. Approval of Financials/Revenue

MOTON to accept financials and revenues

Whitaker/Snyder

Ayes: Sylvester, Mullan, Whitaker, Snyder

6. Foundation Update

Buckley reported we are still receiving donations from our Christmas mailer. Buckley also reported that we had received payments from the North Lee county Community Foundation in the amount of \$2200. Next Foundation meeting is April 20, @ 4 pm

7. Parks Report

Oldfield reported on 61 camping nights; 6 cabin nights; cleaning and inspection of cabins and related maintenance He also has been patrolling and working on the production of fire wood. Oldfield reported that brush has been run through the secondary roads chipper to clean up areas. Pawling and Oldfield have the water main set at Pollmiller. Buckley updated the board on the situation at Wilson Lake. The Armstrong's attorney has informed the board that his clients should be vacated by June of 2017. . Buckley continues to follow up with Ameren in regards to the 21 acres of property to the east of the Heron Bend Conservation Area.. Don Hunold updated the Board about Chatfield, stated that more septic systems are currently being put in, and all should be completed by the end of the year. Pawling and Buckley are currently working with an Eagle Scout to build a second shelter at the family camp site at Wilson Lake.

8. Education Report

Steele reported on the school programs and public programs. He reported that 44 school programs took place, with 905 kids attending. Steele reported 5 public programs with 116 people attending. Steele reported that training of Paeg has been adjusting nicely to the position and she is picking up things very quickly. Steele extending his thank you to staff for the help and participation with the Easter Egg Hunt held April 1.

9 Wildlife Report

Tebbs and Johnson had previous engagements so Buckley reported on CRP planting, obtaining food plot seed, completing proscribed burns, field calls, equipment maintenance and cleaning out of the old office. Tebbs attended training, and Johnson and Oldfield will be attending CCPOA training this week. .

10. Consider approval of resolution to hire Nathan Unsworth as new director

MOTION to accept resolution and approve hire of Nathan Unsworth

Whitaker/Mullan

AYES Mullan, Whitaker, Sylvester, NAYS Snyder ABSENT Holland

Motion passed 3-1

11 Comments from the Board

Snyder: Apologized if she offended anyone speaking her mind

Whitaker: Glad we have Nathan here

Sylvester: wanted to thank all of the board for the extra hours they put in

Don Hunold: County is going to put 911 addresses at each campsite in our parks

12. Next Meeting May 9, 2017 at 6:00 pm at Heron Bend

13. Adjournment

MOTION to adjourn at 7:15pm

Mullan/Whitaker

AYES Snyder, Mullan, Whitaker, Sylvester



Harry Sylvester
LCCB President

William Mullan
LCCB Secretary