

1. Call to Order

James Garnjobst called the regular meeting of the Des Moines County Conservation Board to order at 5:30 p.m. at the Conservation office.

Those Members Present: Cathy Ziglar, James Garnjobst, Matthew Haas, Julie Solinski and Bob Hansen

Those Members Absent: None

Others Present: Director Lee, Administrative Assistant Breuer, EE Coordinator Kelly Rundell

2. Additions and Deletions to Agenda:

- a. None

3. Delegations/Public Input:

- a. None

4. Approval of Minutes for September 02, 2020:

- #47** a. Motion by Matthew Haas, seconded by Julie Solinski to approve the minutes of the September 02, 2020, Regular Board Meeting. Motion passed unanimously by those members present.

5. Approval of Claims for September 2020:

- #48** a. Motion by Cathy Ziglar, seconded by Matthew Haas to approve the claims for September 2020. Motion passed unanimously by those members present.

6. Acceptance of Donations:

- a. Will Neises / Troop 3 - \$342.97 for bouldering wall crash pads.
- b. Optimist of Burlington / West Burlington - \$244 for Friends of Des Moines County Conservation.
- c. Julie Solinski - Used log splitter for shop.

7. Committee Reports:

- a. **Shooting Range:** The backer boards on the 25 have been replaced. There is going to be some burning on the berms happening this Fall / early Spring. There has been little change in membership. We are going to need a little concrete on the 300. Pat had patched it for now. There were two handicap benches donated.
- b. **Observatory:** The observatory will remain closed to the public until April of 2021.
- c. **Legislative:** We have the general election next month.
- d. **Big Halloween Event:** No report. Event was postponed until 2021.

8. Project Updates:

There are still Internet connectivity issues at the Nature Center. Our new Natural Resource Manager has started.

9. Old Business:

a. Waters Park:

Have not heard back from the city of Danville if we can come to an agreement on there list of needs for the transfer of the park yet.

10. **New Business:**
- #49 a. **Renew Burlington Model Airplane Club (BMAC) Agreement:**
Motion by Matthew Haas, seconded by Julie Solinski to approve the agreement.
Motion passed unanimously by those members present.
- b. **Discuss possibility of allowing private float trip business to lease/manage all or parts of Welter Recreation Area:**
Discussed the possibility of leasing all or part of the Welter Recreation Area for a float trip business.
- c. **Discussion and possible vote to execute supplemental contract with FYRA Engineering to do lake sediment sampling as part of the watershed assessment planning they're already doing:**
Discussed the upcoming contract to add additional tests to the upcoming watershed assessment.
- d. **Discussion about whether to apply for Fish Habitat Grant for Luckenbill Pond renovation:**
Discussed whether or not we should apply for a Fish Habitat Grant to work on the Luckenbill pond.
11. **Informational Items/Correspondence:**
- a. **Schedule a field tour with Board of Supervisors**
12. **Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.**
Next regular meeting will be held at the Des Moines County Administration Office at 13700 Washington Road in West Burlington, IA. Meeting will be held at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday November 04, 2020.
The public is welcome.


James Garnjobst, Chair


Julie Solinski, Secretary/Treasurer