

1. Call to Order

Jim Steer, Chair, called the regular meeting of the Des Moines County Conservation Board to order at 5:30 p.m. at the Des Moines County Conservation Administration Building.

Those Members Present: Cathy Ziglar, Jim Steer, Bob Hansen and Angela Vaughan

Those Members Absent: Jim Garnjobst

Others Present: Director Chris Lee, Administrative Assistant Breuer and Bob Beck

2. a. Additions and Deletions to Agenda:

None

3. Delegations/Public Input:

a. None

4. Approval of Minutes for January 03, 2018 :

#04 a. Motion by Angela Vaughan, seconded by Bob Hansen to approve the minutes of the January 03, 2018 Board Meeting. Motion passed unanimously by those members present.

5. Approval of Claims for January 2018:

#05 a. Motion by Cathy Ziglar, seconded by Angela Vaughan to approve the claims for January 2018. Motion passed unanimously by those members present.

6. Acceptance of Donations:

- a. Evelyn Kane Family - \$400 for Witte Observatory.
- b. Julie Winter - \$50 for camp scholarships.
- c. Dave Wiemer- Framed artwork, rock collection & books - SCNC.
- d. USG - \$5,000 - Big Hollow playground.
- e. James Garnjobst. \$30 - Emily Roane memorial.

7. Committee Reports:

- a. **Shooting Range:** No new items.
- b. **Flint River Trails:** No new items.
- c. **Observatory:** There are some muddy areas that are being addressed. The lighting in the classroom area is being updated. There is a club meeting scheduled for 3/16/2018.
- d. **REAP/IWILL:** February 12 is IWILL day at the Capital. Several staff members are attending. Cathy Ziglar gave an update on the REAP Congress that was held in January.

8. Project Updates:

- a. **Big Hollow:** Shower house has been delivered and installed. Lots of fisherman reported on the lake.
- b. **Flint River Trail:** Pre-construction meeting for the end sections has been set.
- c. **Linder Property:** Closing documents for the property have been signed.
- d. **Hunt Woods:** Some clear cutting at the front of the park is being done by Secondary Roads. This will allow more sunlight to hit the road, helping it to thaw faster.
- e. **Budget Update:** No issues for us. It appears we are on track to get our vehicle replacement & trailer.

- f. **Other Items:** We are waiting to hear back from the IRS on our review of the paid camp host position. A committee has been formed to address the Big Hollow playground. SCNC is all but done. Lights are being installed now.

9. **Old Business:**

- a. None

10. **New Business:**

- a. **Top Gun range reservation request**

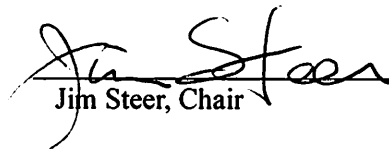
#06 Motion by Cathy Ziglar, seconded by Angela Vaughan to approve the range request.
Motion passed unanimously by those members present.

11. **Informational Items/Correspondence:**

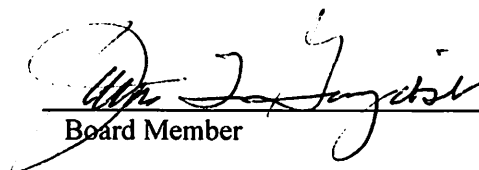
- a. Jim Steer talked about the director review.
- b. Jim Steer was recognized for 10 years on the board by Director Lee.

12. **Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 6:18 p.m.**

Next 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 March 07, 2018.
The public is welcome.



Jim Steer, Chair



Board Member