1. Call to Order

Julie Solinski called the regular meeting of the Des Moines County Conservation Board to order at 5:30 p.m. at Starr's Cave Nature Center.

Those Members Present: Julie Solinski, Ron Helling Dan Hockett, Terry Davis and Kathy Wunderlich.

Those Members Absent: None

Others Present: Director Lee, Administrative Assistant Breuer, DMCC Naturalist Hansen, NRCS Big Hollow water shed coordinator Tom Brockett and one member of the public. BoS Shane McCampbell via Zoom.

2. Additions and Deletions to Agenda:

a. None

3. Delegations/Public Input:

a. None

4. Consent Agenda: Approval of Minutes from April 02, 2025 and April claims:

#15 a. Motion by Terry Davis, seconded by Ron Helling to approve the Consent Agenda.

Motion passed unanimously by those members present.

5. Acceptance of Donations:

a. See attached list.

6. Committee Reports:

- a. Foundation: We have closed out the banquet and are now working on River Days.
- **b. Observatory:** They are scheduling viewings. There is a High School class coming to visit. The next meeting is next Thursday. The Internet is up and running and they have received the Big Hollow maps.
- c. Legislative: There is an ICCS Board meeting in May.
- **d.** Water Quality: It's been a busy month with two days in Boone and three in Cedar Rapids. We were given test strips to spot check for Nitrogen. There has not been an engineer assigned to the wetland project yet.
- e. Shooting Range: No Report.

7. Project Updates:

We have had four incidents at the shooting range since November 8, 2024. We will get the committee together to discuss.

8. New Business:

#16

a. Approve Conservation Technician Change: (Brian Havener to Full Time Status)

Motion by Terry Davis, seconded by Kathy Wunderlich to approve the position change. Motion passed unanimously by those members present.

b. FY24/25 Budget Amendment:

#17 Motion by Terry Davis, seconded by Kathy Wunderlich to approve the budget amendment.

Motion passed unanimously by those members present.

c. Water Line Issue at Starr's Cave:

#18 Motion by Ron Helling, seconded by Dan Hockett to explore Rathbun as a water supplier option based on how the leak on Irish Ridge Rd. can be resolved.

Motion passed unanimously by those members present.

9. Informational Items/Correspondence:

a. Derek Hester resignation

10. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

Next meeting will be held at Starr's Cave Nature Center at 11627 Starr's Cave Rd. in Burlington, IA. Meeting will be held at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday June 04, 2025. The public is welcome.

lie Solinski, Chair

Dan Hockett, Secretary/Treasurer