

1. Call to Order

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

Those Members Absent: None

Others Present: Director Lee and Administrative Assistant Breuer.

2. Additions and Deletions to Agenda:

a. None

3. Delegations/Public Input:

a. None

4. Consent Agenda: Approval of Minutes from January 07, 2026 and January 2026 Claims:

#11 a. Motion by Julie Solinski, seconded by Kathy Wunderlich to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion passed unanimously by those members present.

5. Acceptance of Donations:

a. Warth Insurance - \$500 EE Sponsorship.

6. Committee Reports:

a. **Foundation:** Burlington River Days was awarded the Downtown Distinction Award at the Greater Burlington Partnership's annual dinner. The annual meeting is coming up. Anthony Furniss audited the books up to the time Genila left.

b. **Observatory:** No Report. Next meeting is March 19.

c. **Legislative:** An ICCS update came out. Some bills to watch are combining the DNR with Agriculture, \$5M program for a voluntary buffer program and one regulating what data centers do with water.

d. **Water Quality:** Tom is finishing the annual report. There will be a meeting at Starr's Cave.

e. **Shooting Range:** No Report

7. Project Updates:

Tanner Gebhardt has received two forestry grants. The crews are doing annual dock maintenance.

8. Old Business: None.

9. New Business: None.

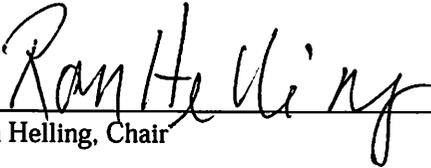
10. **Informational Items/Correspondence:**
a. **Winterfest Reports.**

11. **Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m.**

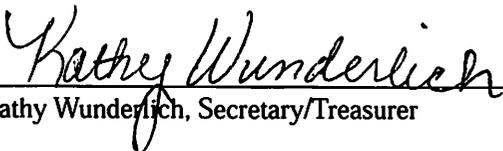
Next meeting will be held at Starr's Cave Nature Center at 11627 Starr's Cave Rd. in Burlington, IA.

Meeting will be held at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday March 4, 2026.

The public is welcome.



Ron Helling, Chair



Kathy Wunderlich, Secretary/Treasurer