

## Minutes of the Allamakee County Conservation Board

The Allamakee County Conservation met in regular session at 1:00 P.M. Tuesday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018 at the Board Office located at 1944 Columbus Rd. Lansing, Iowa. Board members present were as follows: outgoing Board Member Dennis Blocker, Marilyn Clark, Jeanie Carroll, newly appointed Board Member Jesse Delaney, Dennis Koenig, and Bill Moody. Conservation Board staff members present were as follows: Jackie Cooper, Ross Geerdes, James Janett, and Jarrod Olson. Present from the public was Bruce Palmborg.

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 P.M. and the minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

The Board discussed using REAP funds to pay the remaining balance of the interim loan for the Driftless Area Education and Visitor Center. A motion was made by Carroll to use \$20,000.00 of REAP funds towards the interim finance loan, second Clark, all in favor, motion carried.

Claims and revenues were reviewed and approved by the Board.

The Board reviewed and approved the draft 2018-2019 Fiscal Year Budget to be submitted to the Board of Supervisors for approval.

The Board reviewed and approved of the Driftless Center entrance sign material and cost.

Recent and upcoming events at the Driftless Center included a celebration of life service, District 6 Meeting, hunter safety education course, and volunteer informational meeting.

Informational items discussed included developing the easement for the Driftless trail and a possible shelter house, replacing the roof at New Albin Roadside park, capital improvements to Village Creek Boat landing, grant fund extension for Clear Creek Park stream bank stabilization project, placement of a road to the new shelter house at Halverson Park, completing work on the Harpers Slough handicap fishing access, ordering blinds for the office, and planning road signage to the Visitor Center.

The next meeting of the Allamakee County Conservation Board will be at 1:00 P.M. Tuesday February 6th, 2018 in the Board Room, at the Driftless Area Education and Visitor Center.

There being no additional business a motion to adjourn was made by Clark, second by Moody; all in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 2:45 P.M.