

Minutes of the Allamakee County Conservation Board

The Allamakee County Conservation met in regular session at 2:30 P.M. Tuesday, June 5th, 2018 at the Board Office located at 1944 Columbus Rd. Lansing, Iowa. Board members present were as follows: Marilyn Clark, Jeanie Carroll, Jesse Delaney, Dennis Koenig, and Bill Moody. Attending from the Allamakee County Conservation Foundation were as follows: Dennis Blocker, Dave Duncklee, Gary Grapfl, Jens Kallevang, and Jane Regan. Conservation Board staff members present were as follows: Ross Geedes, James Janett, and Jarrod Olson.

The meeting was called to order at 2:30 P.M. and the minutes from the previous meeting were approved upon a motion by Delaney, second Clark, all in favor, motion carried.

Claims and revenues were reviewed and approved by the Board. The Board discussed and approved closing out on the remaining FEMA expenditures and transferring the remaining National Scenic Byway hold back funds to the Allamakee County Conservation Foundation. The Board discussed the 2017-2018 fiscal year budget and ending projections. A variable will be if the stream bank stabilization project on Clear Creek is complete by the end of the month.

The Director had posted a job opening for a temporary part-time position to help staff the Driftless Center. A motion was made by Clark to hire Gary Krapfl for a temporary part-time position at the rate of \$10.00 per hour, second Koenig, all in favor, motion carried.

Placement of an advertisement in the 2019 Iowa Tourism Travel Guide publication was discussed by the Board. The Board also discussed the placement of an advertisement in the Eastern Iowa Tourism Travel Guide. The rates for the Eastern Iowa Tourism Travel Guide were considerably cheaper than the Iowa Tourism Travel Guide. The Director will make contact with Eastern Iowa Tourism.

Updates were provided to the Board on the construction of Village Creek Boat Landing. A Pre-construction meeting is scheduled for later in the month and a firm start date will be established.

Donations for benches and a picnic table were discussed by the Board. Benches have been ordered for the Driftless Center and should be delivered in the near future.

Informational items discussed by the Board included the Driftless Area Education and Visitor Center being named a top twenty destination in the State of Iowa among other County Conservation Board and State Park Facilities, electrical work being completed at the Ed. Center, and the need to have the parking lines repainted at the Ed. Center.

The Conservation Board then conducted a meeting with the Allamakee County Conservation

There being no additional business a motion was made by Delaney to adjourn the meeting, second Moody, all in favor, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 P.M.