

Minutes of the Allamakee County Conservation Board

The Allamakee County Conservation Board met in regular session at 1:00 P.M. Tuesday December 3, 2019 in the Board Office located at 1944 Columbus Rd. Lansing, Iowa. Board members present were as follows: Jeanie Carroll, Marilyn Clark, Jesse Delaney, and Bill Moody. Also attending were Conservation Board staff members Ross Geerdes and James Janett.

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 P.M. and the minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved upon a motion by Delaney, second Clark, all in favor, motion carried.

Claims, revenues, and fiscal year budget summaries were reviewed and approved upon a motion by Delaney, second Moody, all in favor, motion carried.

The Board reviewed by line item the proposed 2020-2021 Fiscal Year Budget. Comparisons of state-wide salaries and the five county conservation department salaries were reviewed by the Board. Much of the budget line items remaining the same as the current budget with the exception of reductions in the construction line item due to FEMA Disaster funding and grants received. The budget proposed budget reductions would allow for increased funds available for salary increases in the proposed 2020-2021 Fiscal Year Budget. No decisions were made regarding salaries and would be discussed again after the budget review with the Board of Supervisors. The Board instructed the Director to submit the proposed 2020-2021 Fiscal Year Budget funding request to the Board of Supervisors for consideration.

Upcoming programs and activity items were presented and discussed by the Board.

Informational items discussed by the Board included progress on the Francis Garrett Property, gift shop inventory items, recent Regional REAP Assemblies, the 2021 REAP Congress being held next month at the State Capital, Iowa County Conservation System (ICCS) state wide employee training being held 01/28-30/20 in Iowa City, and discussion on the entrance sign landscaping cost share with the Foundation which was recently completed.

There being no additional business a motion was made by Delaney to adjourn the meeting, second Clark, all in favor, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 2:20 P.M.