

Minutes of the Allamakee County Conservation Board

The Allamakee County Conservation Board met in regular session at 1:00 P.M. Tuesday October 1, 2019 in the Board Office located at 1944 Columbus Rd. Lansing, Iowa. Board members present were as follows: Jeannie Carroll, Marilyn Clark, Dennis Koenig, and Bill Moody. Attending from the public were Bruce Palmborg, Dave Stanley, and Lori Stanley Also attending were Conservation Board staff members Erin Cuban, Ross Geerdes, James Janett, and Jarrod Olson.

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 Clark, second Moody, all in favor, motion carried.

Claims, revenues, and fiscal year budget summaries were reviewed and approved by the Board.

Dave Stanley provided information to the Board regarding completing archeological survey work in Allamakee County. Stanley would like to provide the Conservation Board a grant proposal that would be submitted to State Historic Resource Development Program for completing additional Native America mounds surveys in Allamakee County. The Board would fund the match for the initial grant for \$700.00. Examples of the finished work to be completed by the grant was reviewed by the Board. A motion was made Koenig to enter into the mound survey agreement with Dave Stanley, second Moody, all in favor, motion carried.

FEMA and flood clean up progress on areas were discussed by the Board. Over half the areas have been completed. Areas yet to be completed were Kolsrud Park, Ray's Landing, and Clear Creek Park.

The Board reviewed that Resource Enhancement and Protect Program (REAP) certification completed by the Allamakee County Auditor. The 2018-2019 Fiscal Year Budget meet the required funding minims and is eligible to receive REAP funding.

Updates were provided to the Board on upcoming events and programs. Updates included schools groups, Hunter Education, and the upcoming Fall Birding Festival.

Updates were provided to Board on the Village Creek construction activities. The handicapped boat transfer station had been let and awarded. The project should be completed by November 1, 2019.

Informational items provided to the Board included flood plains permits for various FEMA stream bank projects, Geo Thermal control issues, and Mississippi River Parkway Commission activities.

The Allamakee County Conservation Foundation was hosting their meeting at 2:00 P.M. in the Board Office. The Conservation Board was updated on the Conservation Foundation financial summary. The Fund raising pledges for the Driftless Area Education and Visitor Center had been 98% fulfilled.

There being no additional business a motion was made by Koenig to adjourn the meeting, second Clark, all in favor, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 1:50 P.M.