

SCOTT COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD MEETING WEST LAKE PARK HEADQUARTERS

April 13, 2016

Board Members Present:

Board Members Absent:

John O'Donnell Beth McAleer Carol Fennelly Doug Grenier Richard Mohr

Others Present:

Roger A. Kean, Director Marc Miller, Deputy Director Amber Sullivan, Administrative Assistant

Mark Ridolfi, North Scott Press

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m.

MINUTES: The minutes of the March 9th, 2016 meeting were reviewed for additions and/or corrections.

MOTION:

A motion was made by Mr. Mohr to approve the minutes from the March meeting as presented, seconded by Ms. Fennelly, all in favor and passed.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Reviewed and discussed for the month of March.

MOTION:

A motion was made by Mr. Grenier to approve the bills from March as presented, seconded by Ms. McAleer, all in favor and passed.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

CORRESPONDENCE/INFORMATION:

Recognition of Dave Murcia and Emily Santiago by Iowa Assn of Naturalists. The Board commended Mr. Murcia and Ms. Santiago for receiving the 2015 Professional Development Certificate recognition award and for all of their efforts to keep current in their professional development as interpretive naturalists.

BUSINESS:

Approval of Scott County Library request for free child swim passes for children who complete the library's summer reading challenge:

This is an annual request from the Scott County Library requesting that we partner with them for their 2016 Summer Reading Program "On Your Mark, Get Set... Read!" by providing a free single day pass to the pool or beach for each student completing their reading goal.

MOTION:

A motion was made by Mr. Mohr to approve the Scott County Library's request to provide a free single day swim pass coupon to each student completing their summer reading goal and they are happy to help promote reading, seconded by Ms. Fennelly, all in favor and passed.

Golf Report:

The Board reviewed and discussed the golf reports.

MOTION:

A motion was made by Ms. McAleer to approve the Golf Reports as presented, seconded by Mr. Grenier, all in favor and passed.

Lake Restoration Update:

The Board was informed that the DNR will hold a Public Meeting on Thursday, May 5th at 6:00pm at Bluegrass Community Center. This is a required public meeting associated with the DNR's Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) report and in coordination with Lake Restoration. The meeting will cover the project in a general manner and let residents know what to expect over the next few years.

Capital Projects Update:

Mr. Kean presented the Board the proposed 5 year Project Plan that was approved by the Board of Supervisors as part of their Budget Review Session on February 16, 2016. These funds are now part of Conservation's Master Planning process.

Wapsi Planning Process:

Mr. Kean requested approval to begin a search for an Environmental Education Center Consultant. The Consultant's purpose would be to evaluate our current program, suggest changes, including feedback from the public, for how best to improve Environmental Education in the County.

MOTION:

A motion was made by Mr. Grenier to proceed with getting quotes for development plans for the Wapsi Environmental Education Center, seconded by Ms. McAleer, all in favor and passed.

Staff Reports

Summary of monthly highlights from each department.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for 3:00pm on Wednesday, May 11th, 2016, at Scott County Park Pool.

MOTION:

A motion was made to adjourn by Mr. Mohr, seconded by Ms. Fennelly, all in favor and passed.

Chairman

Secretary/Treasurer