

# JONES COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

**Minutes from the meeting of August 12, 2019 at Central Park Nature Center, Center Junction, Iowa.**

**Meeting was called to order at 6:48 pm by Dave Tabor.**

Present were Board Members: Dave Tabor, Megan Manternach and Rob Roman. Dean Zimmerman arrived at 7:06 pm. Staff present were Brad Mormann, Michele Olson and Jennifer Koopmann.

## **Introduction of Guests:**

Tom Osborne

## **Approve the Agenda:**

Rob made a motion to accept the August agenda with the addition of adding Iowa's REAP Program to the Educational Event Updates. Seconded by Megan. All ayes. Motion carried.

## **Review & Approval of the July Regular Meeting Minutes:**

Megan made a motion to accept the July meeting minutes. Seconded by Rob. All ayes. Motion carried.

## **Review and Approval of Expenditures and Revenues:**

Rob made a motion to approve the expenditures and revenues. Seconded by Megan. All ayes. Motion carried.

## **Staff Reports:**

Megan made a motion to accept the staff reports. Seconded by Rob. All ayes. Motion carried.

## **Business Item:**

**Natural Resource Manager Job Description and Vacancy Announcement Review:** Megan made a motion to approve the Natural Resource Manager Job Description as presented and to post the vacancy announcement for the position. Seconded by Rob. All ayes. Motion carried.

**Review an Opportunity to Acquire Land. Possible closed session per Iowa Code Section 21.5 (1) (j.) To discuss the purchase or sale of particular real estate only where premature disclosure could be reasonably expected to increase the price the governmental body would have to pay for that property or reduce the price the governmental body would receive for that property.** Moved by Rob to go into closed session at 7:15 pm per Iowa Code Section 21.5 (1) (j.) to discuss the purchase or sale of particular real estate. Seconded by Dean. On roll call vote: Megan aye, Rob aye, Dean aye, Dave aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Megan to exit closed session at 7:34 pm. Seconded by Rob. On roll call vote: Megan aye, Rob aye, Dean aye, Dave aye. Motion carried.

Rob made a motion to continue discussion with landowners for the potential land transaction. Seconded by Megan. All ayes. Motion carried.

## **Additional Items:**

**Education Event Updates:** Upcoming educational programs were shared with the Board. Iowa's REAP Program and the need for the legislature to renew it was discussed.

**Conservation Area and Project Updates:**

Updates provided on the Central Park Lake Restoration, the Lost Canyon trail and infrastructure repairs completed with the assistance of Dubuque County Conservation Department, the recent confirmation by IDALS of Emerald Ash Borer in Anamosa trees, the engineering progress for the Mon/Maq Dam, and the Central Park Bridge projects.

**Adjournment:** Megan moved to adjourn. Seconded by Rob. All ayes. Dave adjourned the meeting at 8:00 pm.

The next meeting is planned for September 9, 2019 at 6:45 pm at Central Park.

