

Minutes of the Warren County Conservation Board

- i. The Warren County Conservation Board held its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, February 13, 2019, at the Annett Nature Center, 15565 118th Avenue, Indianola, Iowa. Meeting called to order by President Boll at 6:00 p.m.

Those present:

Absent:

Sue Boll, President
Joe Gavin, Vice-President
Ron Miller, Secretary
Ace Hendricks
Mark Kickbush

Comprising a quorum of the board,

Also present:

Absent:

Jim Priebe, Director
David Youngblut, Op Coordinator
Mark Wilson, Natural Resources Specialist
Karen Johlas-Szalkowski, Naturalist II
Kelsey Longnecker, Naturalist I
Doug Gaumer, Conservation Technician
Tyler Seuferer, Conservation Technician

Guest(s): Jake Doering, Jake's Lawn & Landscape, Indianola, Iowa.

- ii. Reading of Minutes.

Minutes of the January 2019 WCCB meeting were reviewed. Ace Hendricks moved to approve the January 2019 minutes as corrected. Second by Joe Gavin. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

- iii. Staff reports for January 2019 were discussed.

- iv. Business Agenda:

- a. Old Business:

1. Friends of Warren County Conservation Report:

Minutes of the previous FWCC meeting are attached.

Two new FWCC Board Members were welcomed and 2019 Officers were elected.

2. Lodge siting:

Board members asked for a side-by-side cost comparison for the two sites, including as many projected costs as possible.

Staff asked that Board Members submit questions so that as many answers as possible could be provided to the Board prior to the March WCCB meeting.

c. New Business

1. Easement request for Summerset Trail:

Construction easements for Quail Meadows (north side of Hillcrest Avenue, west side of the Summerset Trail) were presented after review by the County Attorney's Office. One, north of Hillcrest, is temporary for grade work. The other, south of Hillcrest in and adjacent to the road right-of-way, is a permanent easement for construction of a sewer line. Drafts were discussed at the January 2019 WCCB meeting.

Ron Miller moved to approve the easements and authorize the President to sign. Second by Ace Hendricks. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

d. Other Business

1. President Boll asked the Board to consider funding a butterfly survey intern at the March 2019 WCCB meeting. Ace Hendricks said he felt this issue had been decided against funding at a previous meeting. Doug Gaumer asked what the Board wanted him to do with the project and how the monarch work being done by other staff could also be affected. The discussion was circuitous for some time with no resolution. President Boll asked the Board to think it over for discussion at the March 2019 meeting.

2. President Boll discussed revising the Director Evaluation form. Ace Hendricks has volunteered to work on this

v. Financial reports were distributed.

vi. Bills were approved and signed.

vii. Ron Miller moved to adjourn. Joe Gavin Seconded. Motion carried by unanimous vote at 7:07 p.m.

Ron Miller, Secretary

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