

# Minutes of the Warren County Conservation Board

- i. The Warren County Conservation Board held its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, July 12, 2017, at the Annett Nature Center, 15565 118<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Indianola, Iowa. Meeting called to order by President Kreidler at 6:00 p.m.

Those present:

Mick Kreidler, President

Joe Gavin, Secretary

Ace Hendricks

Comprising a quorum of the board,

Also present:

David Youngblut, Op Coordinator

Mark Wilson, Natural Resource Specialist

Karen Johlas-Szalkowski, Naturalist II

Doug Gaumer, Conservation Technician

Tyler Seuferer, Conservation Technician

Guest(s): None

Absent:

Sue Boll, Vice-President

Ron Miller

Absent:

Jim Priebe, Director

- ii. Reading of Minutes.

Minutes of the June 2017 WCCB meeting were reviewed. Joe Gavin moved to accept the May 2017 minutes as Corrected. Second by Ace Hendricks. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

- iii. Staff reports for June 2017 were noted. Joe Gavin complimented the Naturalist I interview committee. President Kreidler would like to master plans and maps for each park to help in keeping the public updated on projects, and would like an update on the GIS park mapping and brochure project. The status of North River II and a possible easement to Wilson Woods were discussed.

- iv. Business Agenda:

- a. Old Business:

1. Friends of Warren County Conservation report:

The FWCC discussed holding the Great Western Trail/Microsoft funding for the WCCB. Concerns were expressed about the appropriateness of doing so and the consensus of the FWCC was that they would prefer the funds be held elsewhere (e.g. the county's Capital Improvement Land Acquisition Fund). President Kreidler asked for time on the next FWCC meeting agenda to discuss the issue.

Planning for the September 16 Prairie Picnic is well underway.

- b. New Business:

1. Project reports:

The Dubuque Street bridge on the Summerset Trail has been repaired.

The sidewalk around the shelter at the Martensdale Trail Head of the Great Western Trail has been removed and replaced.

Preparations for removing and replacing the Otter Creek Park shelter floor and adjacent retaining wall are under way.

- c. Other Business:
  - 1. A question was asked about fence maintenance along trails.
  - 2. Budget was discussed.
  - 3. Getting a desk and better computer access for Tyler was discussed.
  - 4. Environmental Education using more of their budget allocation was discussed.
  - 5. Director evaluation documents were distributed to Board Members.
- v. Financial reports were distributed.
- vi. Bills were approved and signed.
- vii. Joe Gavin moved to adjourn. Second by Sue Boll. Motion carried by unanimous vote at 7:10 p.m.

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Joe Gavin, Secretary  
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