Minutes of the Warren County Conservation Board

The Warren County Conservation Board held a Special meeting on Friday, November 1, 2024. The meeting was held in person at the Anette Nature Center. Meeting called to order by President Mark Kickbush at 5:00 p.m.

Those present:

Absent:

Mark Kickbush, President Ace Hendricks, Vice President Joe Schettler, Secretary – electronic/call Sue Boll Angie Croll

Also present: Mark Wilson, Director Zach Hall, Director

- i. Call to Order 5:00pm All present
- ii. Agenda Review All Approved
- iii. Business Agenda
 - a. Norwalk and WCCB 28E Discussion and Action
 - i. The 28E between the City of Norwalk and WCCB is to protect hunting rights, and all other policies set by the WCCB on Blue Flag Marsh. Blue Flag Marsh was recently annexed by the City of Norwalk. The 28E provides purpose and responsibilities by both entities to ensure the integrity of Blue Flag Marsh's property management over the course of time.
 - ii. It was discussed that Iowa has the 48-49th least amount of public land in the nation, and that all current public lands are sacred to the WCCB and the citizens of Warren County.
 - iii. Blue Flag Marsh is a DoT wetland mitigation site and must remain habitat, required by the Federal Clean Water Act and Iowa Code.
 - iv. It was discussed that if the annexation decreases to the value of the property based on it's services to Warren County citizens, then further discussion and actions should be considered by WCCB and the city of Norwalk.
 - v. Joe made the motion to sign the 28E agreement as presented by Director Hall.
 - vi. Sue seconded the motion.
 - vii. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.
 - b. Meeting adjourned at 5:32pm