



LINN COUNTY, IOWA CONSERVATION BOARD



Our Purpose:

To build on the historic success of acquiring, developing, maintaining, and making available county parks, preserves, playgrounds, forests, wildlife, and other conservation areas; to promote and preserve the health and general welfare of the people; to encourage the orderly development and conservation of natural resources; to cultivate quality of life by providing programs of public recreation.

(Modified excerpts from Chapter 350, Code of Iowa)

Our Vision: To improve community through people, parks, trails, and open spaces.

Our Mission – we strive to accomplish our vision through our mission:

- To provide outdoor recreation experiences*
- To promote health and wellness*
- To protect natural resources*
- To increase environmental awareness*
- * To support economic development*
- * To strengthen safety and security*
- * To foster human development*
- * To strengthen community image & sense of place*

Monday, November 19, 2018
Wickiup Hill Learning Center
10260 Morris Hills Road, Toddville, IA 52341

12:00 P.M. (Noon)

- **Call to order / roll call** – quorum / open meeting compliance.
- **Public comment** – this is an opportunity for the public to address topics on today's agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

Items listed on the consent agenda are routine and will be considered by one motion without individual discussion unless the Board removes an item for separate consideration.

- C1. Approve minutes of the October 22, 2018 monthly meeting minutes.
- C2. Approve claims and expenditures – Claims list # 2019-5.
- C3. Receive and place on file the October 2018 financial / budget report.
- C4. Receive and place on file the October 2018 activity report.
- C5. Acceptance of Gifts:
 1. Gift # 14-2019 – Bonnie Christian - donation of a mounted goldeneye duck for use in the Wickiup Hill education program.
- C6. Capital Improvement Program updates report.

REGULAR AGENDA

- R1. Approve consent agenda. (Conservation Board)
- R2. Review and discuss the preliminary draft of the Conservation Board FY20 budget. No formal Board action is requested at this time – review only. (Goemaat)
- R3. Discuss and decide on award of contract for the water distribution system at Pinicon Ridge Park, Project #17-05 and authorize the Executive Director to sign and execute a contract with the selected contractor. (Randy Burke)
- R4. Discuss and decide on Resolution #2018-26, DNR Wildlife Habitat Stamp Fund (WHSF) grant application regarding the acquisition of 282 acres (more or less) of land for the Linn County Learning Farm. (Gibbins)

- R5. Discuss and decide on resolution #2018-27 setting date and time for the public hearing regarding the proposed plans, specifications, form of contract and estimated cost for the Prairie Oak Lodge renovation project at Squaw Creek Park, Project #22-19. (Randy Burke)
- R6. Discuss and decide on resolution #2018-28 setting date and time for the public hearing regarding the proposed plans, specifications, form of contract and estimated cost for the master plan signage project for Pinicon Ridge and Squaw Creek Parks, Project #16-19. (Randy Burke)
- R7. Review, discuss, decide and update current Board policies – Series 2 Executive Limitations including:
2-7 Land Acquisition
2-8 Ascertainment
2-10 Program and Activities
(Board/Goemaat)
- R8. Board member / staff reports – Board members and staff may report and/or discuss meetings or activities that they have been involved. (Conservation Board & staff)
1. Community Outreach and Marketing (Schlader)
 2. Update regarding Biotope Contract (Randy Burke)
 3. Update regarding the Pinicon Ridge Park playground replacement project. (Randy Burke)
 4. IDNR Dam Mitigation Grant – (Gibbins)
- R9. Public comment – This is an opportunity for the public to address the Board on any subject pertaining to Conservation Board business. **Note: There will be no Board discussion, decisions, and/or other board action related to these matters at this time.**
- R10. Adjournment

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

1. Trees Forever Our Woodland Legacy, 8 – 4, December 6, Cedar Rapids Country Club
2. Budget review with the Board of Supervisors is scheduled for January 25, 2019 at 1:30 PM.
3. Iowa Association of County Conservation Boards (IACCB) Annual Conference – September 17 - 19, 2019 - Des Moines, Iowa
4. National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) Congress for Parks and Recreation – September 23-26, 2019 - Baltimore, Maryland