



LINN COUNTY, IOWA CONSERVATION BOARD



Monday, June 22, 2020
Riverside Shelter
Pinicon Ridge County Park
Central City, IA 52214

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 May 18, 2020 monthly meeting.
- C2. Approve claims and expenditures - Claims list # 2020-12.
- C3. Receive and place on file the May 2020 financial / budget report.
- C4. Receive and place on file the May 2020 activity report.
- C5. Acceptance of Gifts
 1. Gift #44-2020 - Monetary contribution (\$300) from Beverly Blasingame for a Legacy Tree to be planted at Morgan Creek Park in memory of Susan Pecka.
 2. Gift #45-2020 - Monetary contribution (\$1,300) from Megan Ballantyne to purchase a bench for Palisades-Dows Preserve.
 3. Gift #46-2020 - Monetary contribution (\$300) from Gina Johnson for a Legacy Tree to be planted at Morgan Creek Park in memory of Jim Bornstein.
- C6. Approve equipment purchases - ATV, motor grader and 1-ton dump truck
- C7. Authorize disposal of excess picnic tables by donating them to local nonprofits.
- C8. Authorize the director to sign a contract for asphalt repairs to the Cedar Valley Trail surface near Tower Terrace Road.
- C9. Authorize the director to sign a contract for concrete installation at the Squaw Creek Park shop for material storage.
- C10. Capital Improvement Program updates report.

REGULAR AGENDA

- R1. Approve consent agenda. (Conservation Board)
- R2. Public hearing regarding the plans and specifications, form of contract and estimated construction costs for construction of the Morgan Creek Park shelter, playground and restrooms, Project #3-19. (Burke)
- R3. Discuss and decide on Resolution #2020-5, approval of the plans and specifications, form of contract and estimated construction costs concerning the Morgan Creek Park shelter, playground and restrooms, Project #3-19. (Burke)
- R4. Discuss and decide regarding bids received and awarding a contract for Squaw Creek Park wetland and stream improvement project and authorizing the Director to sign the construction contract, Project #26-19D. (Dana Kellogg/Lindsay Beaman - Snyder & Associates)
- R5. Discuss and decide on Resolution #2020-6 authorizing staff to submit a State Recreation Trails grant for the Grant Wood Trail gap from Oxley to Creekside Roads. (Burke)

- R6. Discuss and decide on Resolution #2020-7 authorizing staff to submit a State Recreation Trails grant for paving a section of the Grant Wood Trail from Waldo's Rock Park in Marion to Oxley Road. (Burke)
- R7. Discuss and decide on the proposed conservation easements from Camp Wapsie YMCA camp regarding two conservation easements of approximately 10 and 31 acres of land adjoining the YMCA Camp near Central City. (Kellogg)
- R8. Discuss and decide regarding authorizing the Board President to sign a subordination agreement between Camp Wapsie YMCA, Farmers State Bank and the Conservation Board related to the conservation easement. (Kellogg)
- R9. Discuss and decide regarding authorizing the Director to sign a grant agreement with The Nature Conservancy retroactive to June 9, 2020 for funding the Morgan Creek Park wetlands. (Goemaat)
- R10. Discuss and decide regarding annual Director performance review. (Goemaat/Board)
- R11. Discuss and decide regarding authorizing the Board President to sign an agreement with the city of Hiawatha for a connection to the Cedar Valley Trail. (Gibbins)
- R12. Board member / staff reports - Board members and staff may report and/or discuss meetings or activities in which they have been involved. (Conservation Board & staff)
1. Ryan Schlader - Community Outreach and Marketing.
 2. Updates:
 - a. Covid-19 Response Update (Goemaat)
 - b. Preliminary Biotope plans for Wickiup Hill (Burke)
 - c. New County ATV/UTV Ordinance (Goemaat)
 - d. Update on Highway 100 trail bids (Burke)
 - e. Legislative update
- R13. 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.**
- R14. The Board will travel to the Pinicon Ridge Park dam in Central City to discuss the potential dam modification project.
- R15. Adjournment

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

1. Iowa Association of County Conservation Boards (IACCB) Annual Conference - September 16 -18, 2020 - Ames, Iowa
2. National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) Congress for Parks and Recreation - October 26-29, 2020 - Orlando, Florida - cancelled