JONES COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Minutes from the meeting of October 9, 2023, held at the Central Park Nature Center.

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Dave Tabor.

Present were Board Members: Dave Tabor, Megan Manternach and Dean Zimmerman. John Carlson arrived at 6:45pm. Staff present were Brad Mormann and Jennifer Koopmann.

Introduction of Guests:

Approve the Agenda:

Megan made a motion to accept the October agenda. Seconded by Dean. All ayes. Motion carried.

Review & Approval of the September Meeting Minutes:

Megan made a motion to accept the September meeting minutes. Seconded by Dean. All ayes. Motion carried.

Review and Approval of Expenditures and Revenues:

Dean made a motion to accept the Expenditures and Revenues as presented. Seconded by Megan. All ayes. Motion carried.

Staff Reports:

Dean made a motion to accept the staff reports. Seconded by Megan. All ayes. Motion carried.

Business Item:

Central Park Master Plan Drawing Review. The Board reviewed the Central Park Master Plan.

Review a Support Letter for Eastern Iowa Conservation Foundation's Jones County Community Foundation Grant Application for the Zimmerman Addition to Muskrat Slough State Wildlife Area. John made a motion to approve the support letter for Eastern Iowa Conservation Foundation's Jones County Community Foundation grant application for the Zimmerman Addition to Muskrat Slough State Wildlife Area. Seconded by Megan. All ayes. Motion carried.

Wapsi Trail Wetland Addition Fence Installation Bid Review. Megan made a motion to approve the bid from Heiar Fencing of \$5,090 for the Wapsi Trail Wetland Addition Fence. Seconded by Dean. All ayes. Motion carried.

Wapsi Trail Retaining Wall and Fence Repair Bid Review. Megan made a motion to approve the Life Time Fence Company bid of \$14,045 for the Wapsi Trail retaining wall and fence repair. Seconded by John. All ayes. Motion carried.

Review Eastern Iowa Excavating's Request for Additional Payment for the Eby's Mill River Access Project. Dean made a motion to approve \$7,018.93 to Eastern Iowa Excavating for the Eby's Mill River Access Project. Seconded by Megan. All ayes. Motion carried.

Additional Items:

Educational Event Updates: Educational event handouts were provided to the Board.

Conservation Area and Project Updates: Updates provided on the installation of surveillance cameras at Central Park, the usage of images related to a copyright law, future planning at the Anamosa Boat Ramp and the Oxford Mills River Access, rock stabilization completed at Jungletown and Stone City River Accesses, and the recent catfish stocking by the DNR at Central Park.

Adjournment: Dean moved to adjourn. Seconded by Megan. All ayes. Dave adjourned the meeting at 7:20 pm. The next meeting is planned for November 13, 2023, at 6:30 pm at Central Park.