

JONES COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Minutes from the meeting of November 10, 2025, held at the Central Park Nature Center.

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Megan Manternach.

Present were Board Members: Dean Zimmerman, Megan Manternach, Jon Zirkelbach, John Carlson, and Russ VonBehren. Staff present were Brad Mormann and Jennifer Koopmann.

Introduction of Guests: Anthony Bardgett and Alex Davis, Endeavor Civil Engineering

Approve the Agenda:

Russ made a motion to accept the November agenda. Seconded by John. All ayes. Motion carried.

Review & Approval of the October 13th Meeting Minutes:

John made a motion to accept the October 13th meeting minutes with the adjustment to the adjournment by Dean Zimmerman and not Megan Manternach. Seconded by Dean. All ayes. Motion carried.

Review and Approval of Expenditures and Revenues:

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

Staff Reports:

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

Business Item:

Review of the Rose Wildlife Area Management, Boundary Location, Fence and Use by Neighbor's Cattle. Jon made a motion to draft a letter to Randy Shady informing him that we intend to look into possible shoreline stabilization measures on the wildlife area. The letter will include the need to stop cattle access to the wildlife area by installing an electric fence. Seconded by Russ. All ayes. Motion carried.

Central Park Bridge Abutment Project: Contractor Bid Review and Selection. Russ made a motion to approve the low bid from Ground Line Company, LLC for \$49,094.80. Seconded by Jon. All ayes. Motion carried.

Central Park Bridge Abutment Project: Construction Oversight Cost Review. Jon made a motion to approve the Central Park Bridge Abutment Project's construction oversight addendum of \$500/day for engineer site visits up to \$3000. Seconded by Dean. All ayes. Motion carried.

Central Park Lakeside Trail: Engineering Firm Selection. Dean made a motion to approve Endeavor Civil Engineering as the engineering firm for the Central Park Lakeside Trail Project. Seconded by Russ. All ayes. Motion carried.

Eby's Mill Wildlife Area and North Fork Wildlands Forest Management: Habitat Stamp Development Grant Application Resolution Review. Russ made a motion to approve the following resolution:

Eby's Mill Wildlife Area and North Fork Wildlands Wildlife Area Habitat Stamp Grant Resolution

WHEREAS, the Jones County Conservation Board is interested in developing wildlife habitat by means of performing woodland management on the Eby's Mill and North Fork Wildlands Wildlife Areas, AND Wildlife Habitat Stamp funds are needed for the project,

NOW THEREFORE, the Jones County Conservation Board does hereby make application for assistance,
AND further agrees to abide by all the covenants of Section 110.3, Code of Iowa 1981, and Chapter 23
(290), Iowa Administrative Code.

Seconded by Dean. All ayes. Motion carried.

Eby's Mill Wildlife Area: Land Rental Review. Jon made a motion to put the Eby's Mill Wildlife Area land rental farm lease up for bid. Seconded by John. All ayes. Motion carried.

Central Park Weers' Addition: Land Rental Review. Dean made a motion to put the Central Park Weers' Addition land rental farm lease up for bid. Seconded by Russ. All ayes. Motion carried.

Gooseneck Trailer Acquisition Bid Review. Dean made a motion to approve the low bid from 3D Trailer & Auto, Fulton, IL for \$14,350. Seconded by John. All ayes. Motion carried.

FY27 Budget Planning Discussion. The Board had a discussion on FY27 budget planning.

Additional Items:

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

Conservation Area and Project Updates: Updates provided on the preparation for the prairie plantings in Central Park and brush cutting on conservation areas.

Adjournment: Russ moved to adjourn. Seconded by John. All ayes. Megan adjourned the meeting at 8:01pm. The next meeting is planned for December 8, 2025, at 6:30 pm at Central Park.