

JONES COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Minutes from the meeting of December 8, 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, and Jon Zirkelbach. Staff present were Brad Mormann and Jennifer Koopmann.

Introduction of Guests:

Approve the Agenda:

Jon made a motion to accept the December agenda. Seconded by Dean. All ayes. Motion carried.

Review & Approval of the November 10th Meeting Minutes:

Dean made a motion to accept the November 10th meeting minutes. Seconded by Jon. 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 Dean. All ayes. Motion carried.

Staff Reports:

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

Business Item:

Review of a Proposed Letter to Adjacent Landowner of Rose Wildlife Area Regarding Shoreline Erosion and Cattle Use. Jon made a motion to approve and mail the proposed letter to the adjacent landowner of Rose Wildlife Area regarding shoreline erosion and cattle use. Seconded by Dean. All ayes. Motion carried.

Central Park Cabin and Shelter Rental Rate Review. Dean made a motion to approve the Central Park cabin rate of \$75 per night plus \$4 processing fee and the Shelter \$60 per rental plus \$4 processing fee. Seconded by Jon. All ayes. Motion carried.

Seasonal Staff Base Pay Rate Determination. Dean made a motion to approve \$16.32/hr as the seasonal staff base pay rate. Seconded by Jon. All ayes. Motion carried.

January Board Meeting Date Adjustment Due to the County Annual Budget Submission Deadline. Jon made a motion to adjust the January Board Meeting to January 6, 2026, at 6 pm due to the County annual budget submission deadline. Seconded by Dean. All ayes. Motion carried.

FY27 Budget Planning Discussion. The Board discussed the FY27 budget.

Additional Items:

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

Conservation Area and Project Updates: A completed video was shown from the drone videos created in partnership with Twin Rivers Pheasants Forever and funding from the Jones County Community Foundation. Updates provided on snow removal and sand/salt application.

Adjournment: Dean moved to adjourn. Seconded by Jon. All ayes. Megan adjourned the meeting at 7:20 pm. The next meeting is planned for January 6, 2026, at 6:00 pm at Central Park.