

Minutes of the Allamakee County Conservation Board

The Allamakee County Conservation Board met in regular session at 1:00 P.M. Tuesday April 2, 2019 in the Board Office located at 1944 Columbus Rd. Lansing, Iowa. Board members present were as follows: Jeanie Carroll, Marilyn Clark, Jesse Delaney, Dennis Koenig and Bill Moody. Also attending were Conservation Board staff members Erin Cuban, Ross Geerdes, James Janett, and Jarrod Olson.

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 P.M. and the minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved upon a motion by Clark, second Koenig, all in favor, motion carried.

There were no public comments during public comment time.

Claims, revenues, and the 2018-2019 Fiscal Year Budget summaries were reviewed and approved by the Board.

Easter Holiday weekend hours for the Driftless Center were discussed by the Board. The Board instructed the Staff to close the Driftless Center for the holiday weekend,

Flood damage assessments were provided to the Board. No major damage was reported at the time of the meeting with minor damage at Nobles Island, Harpers Slough Fishing Access Area, Heytmens Island, Village Creek Boat Landing, Ray's Landing, and Wild Landing. The Director informed the Board that he would pursue FEMA assistance should the County be declared.

The Board discussed part-time seasonal help for the upcoming season. Brody VanderKolk was interested in returning for the season. A motion was made to hire VanderKolk for a part-time seasonal position at the rate of \$11.00 per/hour, second Delaney, all in favor, motion carried.

Damage to the septic system lift station was discussed by the Board. The total cost of the system repair was \$2,069, insurance coverage was \$1,069.60. The septic system will need to be covered to prevent it from occurring again during extreme artic weather condition

The Board viewed the price quotas for purchasing a 2019 half ton quad cab pickup truck, pricing included the trade in value for the 2008 3/4 ton Ford regular cab pickup; Pladsen Chevrolet \$20,800.00, Torkelson Dodge \$16,375.00. A motion was made by Delaney to purchase the Dodge pick up and to trade the 2008 Ford F250 pickup, second Koenig, all in favor, motion carried.

Informational items included plans for amending the 2018-2019 fiscal year budget for the Fish Habitat Grant, FEMA damage reporting, and progress on the Quandahl property. Updates were also provided to the Board on framed artwork donated to the Board from Marilyn (Bulman) Clark, and the Richard Schilling Estate.

The next Board meeting will be held on Tuesday May 7th in the Board Office. There being no additional business a motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Delaney, second Clark, all in favor, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 P.M.

