

Benton County Conservation Board Meeting

Monday, May 9, 2022 at 5:00 PM

Benton County Nature Center 5718 20th Ave Dr, Vinton

Members present: Dan Hill, Mike LaGrange, Denni Randall, Randy Scheel, Becky Van Wey, Liaison Tracy Seeman

Staff present: Shelby Williams

Call to order: 5:00 pm by Randall

Guests or public participation: VFW Post Dale Henry and Jerry Huffman presented a check for Eco-Extravaganza.

Consent Agenda (previous minutes, expenditures, revenues): Motion by LaGrange seconded by Van Wey. All aye, motion passed.

Properties – Code 350: Talked about property management, state code, and the future of the properties.

Old business

- a. **Hannen Shop:** Williams showed Larry Reiter's mock up from conversations with Seeman.
- b. **Wildcat Facilities:** Discussed the drainage issues and plans moving forward for the Wildcat Facilities given the designs from Department of Health.
- c. **BCCB Properties:** Williams updated the board on Polk Township, Hofle-Dulin, and Wildcat Park activities.
- d. **EE Update:** Naturalists have programs every day of the month. Williams updated on Eco-Extravaganza.
- e. **Old Creamery Nature Trail Trailhead:** The board discussed Zach Parmater's estimates and will move forward with communications. The OCNT is live on the Big Bike Give Grant on social media.

Organizations:

- a. Foundation – Next meeting, June 28, 2022 at 7:00 pm, Benton County Nature Center.
- b. OCNT Committee – Next meeting, May 16th, location TBD.

Seasonal Wages: Williams updated the Board on Host Contracts and future seasonal funding.

Director updates: Williams updated the board on recent park happenings, Rangers schedules, DOT communications, and new phone set up with call forwarding.

Set next regular meeting: June 13th, 2022 at 5:00 pm, Benton County Nature Center

Adjourn: Scheel motioned to adjourn and Hill seconded at 6:30 pm.

Minutes Submitted by: Shelby Williams

Approved

Date