

## **Benton County Conservation Board Meeting**

**Monday, June 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM**

**Benton County Nature Center 5718 20<sup>th</sup> Ave Dr, Vinton**

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

**Staff present:** Shelby Williams, Zach Parmater, Camryn Grubic

**Call to order:** 6:02

**Guests or public participation:** With City of Atkins: Alan Nebola, Samantha Peterson, Bruce Visser

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

**Atkins Roundhouse Property with City of Atkins Mayor Atkins:** Discussion on leasing of property to the city and remedies for safety concerns. Discussion on partnership with City of Atkins.

Historical aspect is important to City of Atkins and there is interested in community involvement to help maintain property. City of Atkins is going to discuss and bring back ideas to the Conservation Board in August. No action taken.

**Wyman Memorial Park:** Property ownership should be corrected by the end of the month, waiting on paper work from law office.

**One-Acre Parcels:** Williams will be attending Supervisors meeting next Tuesday to discuss with supervisors the future of the one-acre parcels and the adjoining property owners.

### **Old business**

- a. **Hannen Lake Shop.** Conservation staff are working on planning process and layout of the shop. Larry Reiter, Seeman, and staff are meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> of June for details on the shop.
- b. **Wildcat Recreation Area Development:** Discussed the work on the shop and the surrounding area.
- c. **Hoefle-Dulin Shoreline:** Waiting on the river level to drop so project can take place.

### **Organizations:**

- a. **Foundation – Next meeting, Tuesday, June 28, 2022 at 7:00pm:** Foundation will be discussing officer positions and future goals.
- b. **OCNT Committee – Next meeting, Monday, June 20th at 6:00pm:** Meeting took place to discuss Vinton Trailhead. Garrison Trailhead project is moving forward. Discussed the damage bridge insurance claim. Upcoming Garrison Fun Days 5K on the trail July 9<sup>th</sup>.

**BCCB Properties – Other:** Discussed development of previous yurt sites at Rodgers Park.

**Environmental Education:** Naturalists have seen over 1700 contacts in May alone, now busy with camps. Still waiting on the Passenger Van.

**Law Enforcement:** Issuing citations and warnings throughout the parks. Working on a no trespass order, it's at the county attorney's office.

**Director updates:** The Iowa Watershed Approach Tour coming up, Williams is on a on panel. The department has been doing training for full-time and part-time staff. The 15<sup>th</sup> is the District 6 meeting. Requesting bids for North Unit truck. FFA members were donated to the department by John Anderson for labor. The new kiosk should start being installed soon.

**Set next regular meeting:** Monday July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 5:30 pm.

**Adjourn:** Motion by Van Way at 7:28pm, seconded by Scheel. All ayes, motion passed.

**Minutes Submitted by:** Zach Parmater

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**Date**