



Minutes

Benton County Conservation Board Meeting

Monday, March 9th, 2026 at 5:30pm

Benton County Nature Center, 5718 20th Ave Drive, Vinton, IA

Board Members Present: Derrick Parker, Sam Hunter, Dan Hill, Randy Scheel, Becky Van Wey

Board of Supervisors: Tracy Seeman

Staff Present: Cecilia Dirks, Shelby Williams, Zach Parmater

Public: Bob Stolen

1. Call to Order at 5:31pm by Randy Scheel
2. Approve Agenda - Motion to approve by Hill, seconded by Van Wey. All aye, motion passed.
3. Guests or public participation (kept to a maximum of 3 minutes, the Board will not take any action on public comments at this meeting but may do so in future meetings). None
4. Discuss/Action Consent Agenda -- Motion to approve by Parker, seconded by Hunter All aye, motion passed.
 - a. Approve minutes from last regular meeting
 - b. Approve Conservation and IRM expenditures and revenues
 - c. Receive and file activity report
5. Business
 - a. Discuss/Action Budget - FY27 Motion to approve adjusted budget to present to supervisors by Parker, seconded by Van Wey. All aye, motion passed.
 - i. IRM Budget
 - ii. Conservation Budget
 - b. Discuss Atkins Property - Williams gave update, Stolen gave update
 - c. Discuss/Action Atkins Tree Bids CDBG Grant - Motion to accept Fraizer Nursey's bid by Hill, seconded by Parker. All aye, motion passed.
 - d. Discuss Animal Shelter and Chervey Properties - Williams gave an update.
6. Board Member/Staff Reports
 - a. IRM Update - Williams gave update
 - b. Education Update - Williams gave update
 - c. Law Enforcement Update - Williams gave update
 - d. Properties Update - Williams gave update
 - e. ICCS Fall Conference Update - Williams gave update
 - f. Director Update - Williams gave update
7. Other discussion
8. Set next regular meeting on Monday, April 13th, 2026 at 5:30pm, Nature Center 5718 20th Ave Drive, Vinton, IA.
9. Adjourn – Van Wey moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:02 PM, Parker seconded. All aye, motion passed.

Minutes Submitted by: Cecilia Dirks

Approved

Date