



Minutes

Benton County Conservation Board Meeting

Monday, July 13, 2026 at 5:30pm

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

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

Staff Present: Ethan Hennings, Shelby Williams, Cecilia Dirks, Zach Parmater

Board of Supervisors: Tracy Seeman

1. Call to Order at 5:32 pm by Scheel
2. Discuss/Action Approve Agenda -- Motion to approve by Parker, seconded by Hunter. 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).
4. Discuss/Action Consent Agenda: Motion to approve by Hunter, seconded by Parker. 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 – Equestrian
 - b. Discuss/Action – Budget Amendment - Hill motioned to move forward with budget amendment for Rodgers Well and Hannen Septic seconded by Van Wey. All aye, motion passed.
 - c. Discuss/Action – Spray Agreement - Hill motioned to approve invasive species treatment agreement, seconded by Parker. All aye, motion passed.
6. Board Member/Staff Reports
 - a. IRM Update
 - b. Education Update
 - c. Law Enforcement Update
 - d. Properties Update
 - e. ICCS Fall Conference Update
 - f. Director Update
7. Other discussion
8. Set next regular meeting on Monday, August 10th, 2026 at 5:30pm, Nature Center 5718 20th Ave Drive, Vinton, IA.
9. Adjourn - Parker moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:09 PM, Hill seconded. All aye, motion passed.

Minutes Submitted by: Cecilia Dirks

Approved

Date