



MUSCATINE COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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July 15, 2024
Regular Meeting

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE MUSCATINE COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

The Muscatine County Conservation Board held its monthly meeting on Monday, July 15, 2024 at the Environmental Learning Center. Chairperson Sherry Seright called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

Members present: Sherry Seright, Julie Jindrich, Mike Schulte, Karen Hartman and Mark Petersen.
Also Present: Katie Hammond, Scott Sauer, Lori Dietrich.

Meeting Minutes

Mark Petersen made a motion to approve the June 15, 2024, June 20, 2024 and June 27, 2024 meeting minutes as approved. Mike Schulte seconded. Voting aye: Sherry Seright, Julie Jindrich, Mike Schulte, Karen Hartman and Mark Petersen. Voting nay: none.

Public Participation

None.

Special Events Permits

None.

The Director gave the updates on projects. At Deep Lakes Park, the sand borrow project is still going on. The water levels have come up. We do not have an agreement for the campground project with Bolton & Menk yet. At Saulsbury, the flood waters are receding. Hoping to get the campground opened back up by Wednesday or Thursday of this week. We received a proposal from Winona Controls for \$8,200 to fix the heat pump in the Geo-Thermal system which serves the lobby area of the Environmental Learning Center. The Board gave direction to accept the proposal from Winona for the heat pump repairs as maintenance for the building.

Discussion and possible action to sign a contract with Bolton & Menk for professional services on the Deep Lakes Campground project was tabled until a contract is received.

The Director gave the Environmental Education report. 785 kids and 551 adults for a total of 1336 people were served with 53 programs last month.

The Director gave the Operations report. Staff cleaned up downed trees and bladed the road at Jack Shuger Park. In Discovery Park, downed trees were cut up and removed. Staff worked on air conditioners, sprayed Canadian thistle and weeds around trees, plantings and buildings. Flood prep, flood clean-up and spraying for thistles was done by staff at Saulsbury.

Other items from the Director

The signed offer to purchase the property at Deep Lakes has been submitted. The I-Center application has been submitted. We will be hearing the outcome decision soon. Working on the Hotel/Motel tax for the Cabin rentals.

Items from the Board

None.

Claims

Mark Petersen made a motion to approve all claims in the amount of \$13,949.62. Julie seconded. Voting aye: Sherry Seright, Julie Jindrich, Mike Schulte, Karen Hartman and Mark Petersen. Voting nay: none.

Adjournment

Sherry Seright adjourned the meeting at 6:21 P.M.



Katie Hammond, Director
Muscatine County Conservation Board