

Monday, March 9, 2015  
Minutes of the Hardin County Conservation Board Meeting

The Monday, March 9, 2015 meeting of the Hardin County Conservation Board was called to order by  
Chairperson Verl Duncan at 6:00 p.m. at Headquarters.

**Board Members Attending:** Verl Duncan, Sandy Trampe, Allen Kadolph, Dennis Heetland, and Jessica Lara.

**Staff Members:** Director Wes Wiese and Office Assistant Becky Frerichs.

**Guests:** Hardin County Supervisors Renee McClellan and Ronn Rickels

**Public Comment:** None

**Approval of Minutes:** Jessica Lara made the motion to approve the minutes of the February 9, 2015 meeting. It was seconded by Dennis Heetland. All members voted aye, motion carried.

**Approval of Claims:** Allen Kadolph made the motion to approve the claims for March 9, 2015 and Sandy Trampe seconded. All members voted aye, motion carried.

**Special Reports:** All reports were given and read. Jessica Lara made the motion to approve all special reports and it was seconded by Allen Kadolph. All members voted aye, motion carried.

**General Business**

**Open Bids-Cabin Project:** Director Wes Wiese received one bid for the cabin project at Tower Rock. Star Log Cabins of Coon Valley, WI gave a bid of \$176,377 for two cabins complete with the exception of furniture, appliances and crane service (if needed). Payments will be split between 2014-2015 and 2015-2016 fiscal years. Funds are coming from the 22000 Reap fund and the 61000 Hilker fund. The cabins will be finished as early as August or September for rental. A motion was made by Allen Kadolph to accept the bid from Star Log Cabins. It was seconded by Sandy Trampe. All members voted aye, motion carried.

**Ulch Collection-Posters, Calendars, and Postcards:** Glennda Metzen submitted a proposal for calendars and postcards. Sandy Trampe made a motion to accept the proposal with the exception of instead of 100 calendars they would go with 25 calendars starting with 2016 calendar year. Setting a price for the postcards and calendars will be set when overall costs are figured. The motion was seconded by Dennis Heetland. All members voted aye, motion carried.

**Campground Handgun policy:** Public concerns were given to an employee on what the policy of open display of a firearm is at the campgrounds, especially at Pine Ridge with the shooting range. Discussions were held with no action needed at this time.

**Equipment Lease:** Director Wes Wiese gave quotes on leasing equipment from dealers in the area. Discussions were held with board member Allen Kadolph offering to do further research on leasing vs ownership. This item was tabled until the April 13<sup>th</sup> board meeting.

**Closed Session:** A motion was given by Dennis Heetland and a second by Allen Kadolph to go into Closed Session Pursuant to Section 21.5 Subsection (1) paragraph (c) OF THE CODE OF IOWA. Roll call vote: “Ayes” Sandy Trampe, Allen Kadolph, Dennis Heetland, Jessica Lara and Chairperson Verl Duncan, “Nays” none. Motion carried. Closed session began at 6:44 pm. Following discussion the closed session ended and entered into regular session at 6:50 pm with a motion by Jessica Lara and a second by Allen Kadolph. A roll call vote: “Ayes” Sandy Trampe, Allen Kadolph, Dennis Heetland, Jessica Lara, and Chairperson Verl Duncan “Nays” none.

**Other Items:** Chris Barber at Calkins has received two grants, one is from Casey’s in the amount of \$2,500 and the other grant is from Silos & Smokestacks in the amount of \$2,500 for a summer internship. Discussions on damage to boundary fencing, more cabin discussions and more details on the Trail Run that is set for September 26, 2015. All discussions were information only and no action is needed.

**Adjournment:** Allen Kadolph made the motion to adjourn and was seconded by Sandy Trampe. All members voted aye, meeting adjourned at 7:11 p.m.