Monday, October 9, 2017 Minutes of the Hardin County Conservation Board Meeting

The Monday, October 9, 2017 meeting of the Hardin County Conservation Board was called to order by Chair Sandy Trampe at 7:14 p.m. at Headquarters.

Board Members Attending: Vice-Chair Jessica Lara, Dennis Heetland and Allen Kadolph.

Board Members Absent: Verl Duncan.

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

Guests: Cathy Heard and Supervisor Renee McClellan.

Public Comment: Cathy Heard gave a follow-up to the 50th Annual Pine Lake Saddle Club trail ride which was held September 30th and October 1, 2017. The ride was over-all a great success. There were over 130 riders in attendance. All was information only and no motion needed.

Approval of Minutes: Allen Kadolph made the motion to approve the minutes of the September 18, 2017 Board Meeting. It was seconded by Dennis Heetland. All members voted aye, the motion carried.

Approval of Claims: Dennis Heetland made the motion to approve the October 9, 2017 monthly claims. It was seconded by Allen Kadolph. All members voted aye, the motion carried.

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

General Business

Rainsbarger Wildlife Area/IDOT Drainage: It was brought to the Boards attention of a drainage problem in the Rainsbarger Wildlife Area. It has affected drainage in an adjacent farm field. In an email from Mark Solberg of the Iowa DOT, he stated that the Iowa DOT would reimburse the costs of the tiling to correct the drainage problem. Jessica Lara made a motion to approve the proposal from McDowell & Sons Contractors in the amount of \$3,500.00 which will be reimbursed by the Iowa DOT. It was seconded by Dennis Heetland. All members voted aye and the motion carried.

Review Calkins Nature Area Rental Policy: Tabled until the December board meeting.

Tower Rock Cabins Donation Policy: Allen Kadolph made a motion to approve the Tower Rock Cabins Donation Policy with one correction. It was seconded by Jessica Lara. All members voted aye and the motion carried.

User Fee/Out of County Visitors: Director Wes Wiese discussed with the Board the possibility of a user fee for the various parks and hunting areas in Hardin County. All was information only and no motion was needed.

Other Items: Director Wes Wiese discussed with the Board the purchase of a pallet fork attachment for a tractor. This was all information only and no motion needed.

Adjournment: Allen Kadolph made the motion to adjourn and it was seconded by Dennis Heetland. All members voted aye, meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.