

Monday, January 14, 2019
Minutes of the Hardin County Conservation Board Meeting

The Monday, January 14, 2019 meeting of the Hardin County Conservation Board was called to order by Vice-Chair Sandy Trampe at 7:00 p.m. at Headquarters.

Board Members Attending: Sandy Trampe, Allen Kadolph, Jessica Lara and Kirk Rice

Board Members Absent: Verl Duncan

Staff Members Attending: Director Wes Wiese, Office Assistant Becky Frerichs

Guests: Dale Brass

Public Comment: None

Approval of Minutes: Jessica Lara made the motion to approve the minutes of the December 10, 2018 Board Meeting. It was seconded by Sandy Trampe. All members voted aye, the motion carried.

Approval of Claims: Sandy Trampe made the motion to approve the January 14, 2019 monthly claims. It was seconded by Jessica Lara. All members voted aye, the motion carried.

Monthly Reports: All reports were given and read. Sandy Trampe made the motion to approve all monthly reports and it was seconded by Jessica Lara. All members voted aye, the motion carried.

The resignation letters from Nick Baumgarten, Natural Resource Manager and Cody Barloon, Conservation Tech, were discussed by the Board. All was information only.

A “Welcome” was given to HCC’s newest board member, Kirk Rice.

General Business

Appoint Chair and Vice-Chair: Jessica Lara made a motion to nominate Allen Kadolph as the 2019 Chair and it was seconded by Kirk Rice. All members voted aye, and the motion carried. Sandy Trampe made a motion to nominate Jessica Lara as the 2019 Vice-Chair and it was seconded by Allen Kadolph. All members voted aye, and the motion carried.

Iowa Wireless Amateur Radio Network: Dale Brass was present to discuss with the Board the Iowa Wireless Amateur Radio Network. It is a club of amateur radio enthusiasts who were interested in locating an event at the Sac/Fox Overlook. It was determined by the club that the area would not work for the club’s event as there needs to be a 200-foot separation between radios. They are still looking at other conservation areas that might work and would be in contact with the Board. All was information only and no motion was needed.

Observation Trailer: Director Wes Wiese discussed with the Board the observation trailer that will be used for viewing birds and other wildlife in Hardin County. A schedule and usage policy will be developed for the trailer. It will be open to use by the public in Hardin County. The trailer is fully funded in partnership with Bob Gunderson, Charles Ruby, friends, family and the Iowa Natural Heritage Foundation. All was information only.

2019 Projects: The Director discussed with the Board updates on the various projects and improvements that are planned for 2019. Also discussed, were possibilities of user-fees for conservation areas in Hardin County, the promoting of Pine Ridge and Daisy Long campgrounds, as well as the Tower Rock cabins. All was information only.

Other Items: None.

Adjournment: Chair Allen Kadolph called the meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.