

**Monday, April 11, 2022**  
**Minutes of the Hardin County Conservation Board Meeting**

The Monday, April 11, 2022, meeting of the Hardin County Conservation Board was called to order by Chair, Kirk Rice, at 6:00 p.m. at Hardin County Conservation Headquarters.

**Board Members Attending:** Kirk Rice (Chair), Trent Lambert (Vice-Chair), Jessica Lara (attending via phone), and Jo Baumann.

**Board Members Absent:** Bryan Meints

**Staff Members Attending:** Wes Wiese (Director), Laura Carr (Office Assistant), Chris Barber (Interpretive Park Manager) and Brennan Reysack (Conservation Tech)

**Guests:** Tyler Prochaska, Julie Jeske, and Sophia Prochaska (DELTA Waterfowl) Steve Priske, Randy Copeman, (Pine Ridge Rifle Range Representatives) Kimberlee McConnell, Matt Hosowitz, and Mitch Baum (Summit Farms)

**Approval of Agenda:** Jo Baumann made a motion to approve the April 11, 2022 agenda. The motion was seconded by Trent Lambert. All members voted aye, and the motion carried.

**Public Comment:** The Delta Waterfowl Chapter donated \$500 towards The Lodge. They also informed the Board of plans to do trash pick up in various county parks.

**Approval of Minutes:** Jo Baumann made a motion to approve the March 14, 2022 (Closed & Regular Meeting) as presented. The motion was seconded by Trent Lambert. All members voted aye, and the motion carried. Trent Lambert made a motion to approve the March 26, 2022 (Strategic Planning Meeting) as presented. The motion was seconded by Jo Baumann. All members voted aye, and the motion carried.

**Approval of Claims:** Trent Lambert made a motion to approve the April 11, 2022, monthly claims as presented. The motion was seconded by Jessica Lara. All members voted aye, and the motion carried.

**Monthly Special Reports:** All reports were given and discussed. Jo Baumann made a motion to approve all monthly reports as presented. The motion was seconded by Trent Lambert. All members voted aye, and the motion carried.

**Old Business**

**Campground Rates & Seasonal Spots:** The Board revisited campground rates for Bessman-Kemp, Daisy Long, and Pine Ridge. The Board compared Hardin County campground rates to surrounding area rates. Jo Baumann made the motion to raise rates for Pine Ridge and Bessman-Kemp campgrounds by \$3.00 and Daisy Long campground up by \$5.00 per night for tents, 30-amp, and 50-amp. The motion was seconded by Jessica Lara. All members voted aye, and the motion carried.

**Summit Carbon Pipeline Decision:** Jessica Lara made the motion to decline the offer from Summit Carbon Pipeline for their easement. There was no second to the motion. The motion

failed due to lack of a second. Mitch Baum, representative of Summit Carbon Solutions, presented further information and answered the Board's questions regarding the easement. Jo Baumann made the motion to instruct the Director of Hardin County Conservation to inform Summit Carbon Solutions that the board is unable to make a decision on the easement due to the constraints of the deed on the property. The motion was seconded by Trent Lambert. Trent Lambert, Jo Baumann, and Kirk Rice voted aye; Jessica Lara abstained. The motion carried.

### **New Business**

**Pine Ridge Rifle Range - Hours & Rate:** The Board, Wes Wiese (Director), Steve Priske and Randy Copeman with the Pine Ridge Rifle Club discussed the hours of the rifle range and the effects it has on the nearby campground at Pine Ridge. Trent Lambert made the motion to reopen the lease with Pine Ridge Rifle Club in order to amend the summer shooting hours to 10a-7p on Saturday and Sunday and the holidays (4<sup>th</sup> of July and Labor Day), beginning on June 1<sup>st</sup> and ending October 1<sup>st</sup>, weekdays are to remain 8a-7p year-round. Additionally, the lease will be amended to reassess mowing responsibilities to the tenant. The motion was seconded by Jo Baumann. All members voted aye; and the motion carried.

### **Informational Items:**

**Fence Laws:** Information was presented to The Board regarding Iowa laws regarding fences.

**Adjournment:** Next Hardin County Conservation Board Meeting is scheduled to take place on Monday, May 9, 2022, at 6pm at Hardin County Conservation Headquarters. The Monday, April 11, 2022 meeting of the Hardin County Conservation Board was adjourned by Chair, Kirk Rice, at 8:04 p.m.