



LINN COUNTY, IOWA CONSERVATION BOARD



Our Purpose:

To build on the historic success of acquiring, developing, maintaining, and making available county parks, preserves, playgrounds, forests, wildlife, and other conservation areas; to promote and preserve the health and general welfare of the people; to encourage the orderly development and conservation of natural resources; to cultivate quality of life by providing programs of public recreation.

(Modified excerpts from Chapter 350, Code of Iowa)

Our Vision: To improve community through people, parks, trails, and open spaces.

Our Mission – we strive to accomplish our vision through our mission:

- To provide outdoor recreation experiences*
- To promote health and wellness*
- To protect natural resources*
- To increase environmental awareness*
- * To support economic development*
- * To strengthen safety and security*
- * To foster human development*
- * To strengthen community image & sense of place*

Monday, April 22, 2019

Wickiup Hill Learning Center

10260 Morris Hills Road, Toddville, IA 52341

12:00 P.M. (Noon)

- Call to order / roll call** – quorum / open meeting compliance.
- Public comment** – this is an opportunity for the public to address topics on today's agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

Items listed on the consent agenda are routine and will be considered by one motion without individual discussion unless the Board removes an item for separate consideration.

- C1. Approve minutes of the March 25, 2019 monthly meeting.
- C2. Approve claims and expenditures – Claims list # 2019-10.
- C3. Receive and place on file the March 2019 financial / budget report.
- C4. Receive and place on file the March 2019 activity report.
- C5. Acceptance of Gifts:
 - 1. Gift #23-2019 – Cedar Rapids Audubon, monetary donation (\$5,000) for use at the Linn County Learning Farm.
 - 2. Gift #24-2019 – Nicole Bruns, monetary donation (\$300) to purchase a Legacy Tree in memory of Vern and Helen VanDee for planting at Morgan Creek Park.
- C6. Capital Improvement Program updates report.

REGULAR AGENDA

- R1. Approve consent agenda. (Conservation Board)
- R2. Discuss and decide regarding bids received for the Pinicon Ridge Park Scenic Overlook Shelter (Project #4-19) and authorize the executive Director to sign a contract with the selected contractor. (Randy Burke)
- R3. Discuss and decide on a contract amendment with Shive-Hattery Engineers for Morgan Creek Park development planning and construction oversight, Project #3-19. (Burke)
- R4. Discuss and decide regarding authorizing the Director to sign and execute a contract for hard surfacing the Wickiup Hill drive and Wandering Woods Playscape access. (Goemaat)

- R5. Discuss and decide regarding Resolution 2019-6 authorizing submission of a Community Attraction and Tourism grant and authorizing the Board President to sign a letter certifying that the Conservation Board is eligible for grant funding. (Gibbins)
- R6. Discuss and decide regarding an agreement with Central City for water system connection and water use at Pinicon Ridge Park campgrounds. (Goemaat)
- R7. Discuss Director performance evaluation process.
- R8. Board member / staff reports – Board members and staff may report and/or discuss meetings or activities in which they have been involved. (Conservation Board & staff)
1. Ryan Schlader – Community Outreach and Marketing.
 - a. Sandhill Crane Trip
 2. Pinicon Ridge Park dam modification planning (Gibbins)
 3. Updates:
 - a. Alliant Transmission Line corridor (Goemaat)
 - b. Sign-on letter regarding federal trail funding (Goemaat)
 - c. City of Cedar Rapids E-Avenue/Morgan Creek Park (Goemaat)
 - d. Strategic planning schedule (Gibbins)
 - e. Staff changes – John Scott and Gary Novotny retirements (Goemaat)
 - f. Email regarding Mandy Bieber (Goemaat)
- R9. Public comment – This is an opportunity for the public to address the Board on any subject pertaining to Conservation Board business. **Note: There will be no Board discussion, decisions, and/or other board action related to these matters at this time.**
- R10. Adjournment

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

1. Iowa Association of County Conservation Boards (IACCB) Annual Conference – September 17 - 19, 2019 - Muscatine, Iowa
2. National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) Congress for Parks and Recreation – September 23-26, 2019 - Baltimore, Maryland