

**Dallas County Conservation Board
Regular Monthly Meeting
March 13, 2018**

Call to Order

The Dallas County Conservation Board meeting was called to order on Tuesday, March 13, 2018 at 5:30 P.M. at the at the Forest Park Museum Administration Building in Perry, Iowa by board chair Glenn Vondra. Board Vice-Chair Jim Miller conducted the meeting.

Roll Call

Present were board members Jim Miller, Mark Powell and Nancy DeLong. Board members Glenn Vondra and Lorinda Inman attended via teleconference. Director Mike Wallace and administrative assistant Sherry James were also in attendance.

Introduction of Guests

Jim Caufield, ThePerryNews.com, was in attendance.

Agenda

Action: Lorinda Inman moved and Nancy DeLong seconded to approve the agenda as printed. All members present voted "aye", motion carried.

Open Forum

There was nothing presented.

Consent Agenda

Action: Nancy DeLong moved and Lorinda Inman seconded to approve the consent agenda items including the February income/expenditure report and the monthly staff reports. All members present voted "aye", motion carried.

February 13, 2018 Meeting Minutes

Action: A motion was made by Mark Powell and seconded by Lorinda Inman to approve the February 13, 2018 board meeting minutes as written. All members present voted "aye", motion carried.

Public Hearing Raccoon River Valley Trail to High Trestle Trail Connector Project

Action: A motion was made by Mark Powell and seconded by Nancy DeLong to enter into a public hearing for discussion of the RRVT to HTT Connector Project. All members present voted "aye", motion carried.

Rich Voelker, Snyder and Associates, reviewed Phase I of the project that goes along the former Railroad Right-of-Way from Perry to 130th St.

Action: Nancy DeLong moved and Mark Powell seconded to close the public hearing. All members presented voted "aye", motion carried.

RRVT to HTT Connector Project – Director Wallace suggested the board consider setting the bid letting for the project in April for bids to be considered at the May board meeting.

RRVT Rehab/Overlay Project – Rich Voelker, Snyder and Associates, reviewed the Pavement Management Analysis that was completed on the south loop of the trail from Waukee to the Dallas/Guthrie County line. The project is estimated to cost over \$1million. Mr. Voelker reported that he is preparing for an early summer bid letting for the project.

Dallas Center Rotary Club Bench/Shelter – there was board discussion regarding the recent article on alcohol on the HTT and the possibility of the selected location for the bench and shelter NW of Dallas Center being a partying spot. The board also referenced the recent CyBiz trail survey in which there were few requests for additional benches along the trail.

Action: Mark Powell moved and Nancy DeLong seconded to approve the Dallas Center Rotary request for the bench and shelter house. A roll call vote resulted as follows: Aye, Inman; Nay, DeLong, Powell, Vondra and Miller. The motion failed. The board directed Mr. Wallace to send Bob King an email expressing their action.

Adel RRVT Trail Bridge Lighting Proposal - The board requested more details from the presenters at the February board meeting of the maintenance agreement and some other alternatives for electrical expenses. Nothing has been received. There was board concern that the maintenance of this project once completed would be the DCCB's responsibility.

Fiber Optics Cable on RRVT – Director Wallace reported they are doing the work along the trail for the fiber optics cable for the new Law Enforcement Center.

Fiber Optics Cable on RRVT Agreement – Director Wallace distributed a revised agreement as requested by the Conservation Board and prepared by County Attorney, Wayne Reisetter.

Action: Mark Powell moved and Nancy DeLong seconded to approve the proposed changes to the Agreement as prepared by the County Attorney. All members present voted “aye”, motion carried.

Tallgrass Prairies Exhibit Loan Agreement – Director Wallace presented an exhibit loan agreement for Baldwin Hall for a summer exhibit of tallgrass prairies.

Action: Nancy DeLong moved and Lorinda Inman seconded to approve the Exhibit Loan Agreement in the amount of \$250. All members present voted “aye”, motion carried.

Vehicle Purchase Quotes – Director Wallace reported that he sent several requests to dealers for quotes for a vehicle to replace the Ford Ranger. He reported that six quotes were received.

Action: Glenn Vondra moved and Mark Powell seconded to accept the quote from Bob Brown Chevrolet for a purchase price of \$16,649. All members present voted “aye”, motion carried.

Sportsman Park Caretakers House Roof Quotes – Director Wallace presented two quotes for a replacement for the roof on the caretaker's house at Sportsman Park.

Action: Nancy DeLong moved and Jim Miller seconded to accept the bid from Affordable Quality Exteriors to include the covered gutters. Mark Powell abstained from the vote. All other members present voted “aye”, motion carried.

Budget – Director Wallace reported the public hearing to approve the county budget was held on March 12. The budget was approved.

Other Business – Director Wallace reported that Waukee is growing with the addition of a new high school and Brad Deets with the City of Waukee has requested a meeting to discuss access across the trail. It was the consensus of the board to not increase crossings and access points along the trail for safety measures.

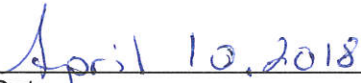
Jim Miller reminded the board of the Waukee Trailhead Public Art Ribbon Cutting and Lighting Event Planned for March 27.

Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss at this time, the meeting adjourned at 6:45 P.M.



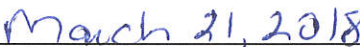
Jim Miller, Vice-Chair
Glenn Vondra, Chair



Date



Sherry James, DCCB Staff



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