

**Dallas County Conservation Board
Regular Monthly Meeting
August 14, 2018**

Call to Order

The Dallas County Conservation Board meeting was called to order on Tuesday, August 14, 2018 at 5:30 P.M. at the Forest Park Museum Administration Building in Perry, Iowa by board chair Glenn Vondra. Mr. Vondra requested that Jim Miller conduct the meeting.

Roll Call

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

Introduction of Guests

None

Agenda

Action: Mark Powell moved and Glenn Vondra seconded to approve the agenda as printed. All members present voted "aye", motion carried.

Open Forum

There was nothing presented.

Consent Agenda

Action: Mark Powell moved and Glenn Vondra seconded to approve the consent agenda items including the July income/expenditure report and the monthly staff reports. All members present voted "aye", motion carried.

July 10, 2018 Meeting Minutes

Action: A motion was made by Mark Powell and seconded by Glenn Vondra to approve the July 10, 2018 board meeting minutes as written. All members present voted "aye", motion carried.

Approve Specifications, Form of Contract, Construction Plans and Estimate of Costs of Forest Park Museum Maintenance Building

Action: Glenn Vondra moved and Mark Powell seconded to approve the specifications, form of contract, construction plans and estimate of costs of Forest Park Museum Maintenance Building. All members present voted "aye", motion carried.

Open Bids for Forest Park Museum Maintenance Building, Possible Award Contract – Director Wallace reported that due to a busy season and increased price of steel, there were no bids received for the Forest Park Museum Maintenance Building at this time. The board might consider rebidding in early winter for spring construction.

Adel Trail Committee Presentation

Amy Lucht, Ben McClurg, Tina Krug and Rebecca Hillmer presented to the board with a draft of the "Kinnick to Raccoon: A RRVT Corridor Improvement Project". They reviewed the details of the plans with the board and reported that they have started fund raising for the project. The Adel Trail Committee requested permission to move forward with their plans.

It was the consensus of the board that they are supportive of this project; however the Conservation Board cannot be responsible for the continued maintenance of the project once completed with current staff and

budget. There needs to be a firm commitment of who will be responsible for the continued maintenance and addressing the water issues.

Tyson Donation for Connector Project and Land use Proposal

Brady Welu, project manager for Tyson Fresh Meats, presented to the board and requested to offer a donation to the new connector project in turn for use of the old trail for a temporary construction project.

Action: Mark Powell moved and Glenn Vondra seconded to authorize Director Wallace to negotiate a temporary construction easement with Tyson Fresh Meats for use of the old trail for a twelve month period in exchange for a \$24,999 donation to the Conservation Board to go towards the Connector Project. All members present voted "aye", motion carried.

Thin Blue Line Project – Dallas County Sheriff Leonard presented to the board with an idea of a "Thin Blue Line" project along the trail near the new law enforcement center as a memorial for all the fallen police officers in Iowa. This will be constructed with assistance from the Benevolent Project.

It was the consensus of the board that the board is supportive of the project and they requested to review plans as the project progresses.

Prairie Meadows Legacy Grant Agreement

Action: Mark Powell moved and Glenn Vondra seconded to approve the Prairie Meadows Legacy Grant Agreement as presented. All members present voted "aye", motion carried.

Mid-American Energy Underground Electrical Easement – Director Wallace reported that he has been in conversation with Mid-American Energy regarding an underground electrical easement along the trail. It was the consensus of the board to request Mid-American propose a price for this easement.

Quotes for Voas Patio Flagstone Repairs Project

Action: Mark Powell moved and Glenn Vondra seconded to approve the quote from RJ Lawn and Landscape of Waukee for \$19,051.03 for the replacement of the flagstone rock at Voas Museum. All members present voted "aye", motion carried.

Tree Chipper Quotes

Action: Mark Powell moved and Glenn Vondra seconded to approve the quote from Midwest Underground Supply, LLC in the amount of \$42,455 for a new Morbark chipper. All members present voted "aye", motion carried.

Hanging Rock Fireplace Repair Quotes

Action: Mark Powell moved and Glenn Vondra seconded to approve the quote from Dave's Chimney Repairs for \$3,275 for the repair to the chimney in the Hanging Rock Shelter House, Redfield. All members present voted "aye", motion carried.

Sportsman Park Septic Tank Replacement Quotes – Director Wallace reported the septic system for the two cabins at Sportsman Park need to be replaced.

Action: Glenn Vondra moved and Mark Powell seconded to approve the quote from Bennett Backhoe and Repair in the amount of \$6,200 to replace the septic system for the cabins at Sportsman Park. All members present voted "aye", motion carried.

Flail Mower Quotes - Director Wallace reported the flail mower at Kuehn needs to be replaced. This mower is used for fire breaks, etc. He reported that two quotes were received for this replacement: Van Wall and Moss Brothers.

Action: Glenn Vondra moved and Mark Powell seconded to approve the quote from Van Wall for \$5,527.62 for the JD Flail Mower. All members present voted "aye", motion carried.

LP Quotes – Director Wallace reported that three quotes were sent out for 12,000 gallons of LP for the Conservation Area. He reviewed the quotes from Diamond Oil, Heartland Coop and Quick Oil.

Action: Glenn Vondra moved and Mark Powell seconded to approve the quote from Quick Oil for 12,000 gallons of LP for \$1.118/gallon. All members present voted "aye", motion carried.

Concrete Quote for Dawson Depot Shelter – Director Wallace reported that the shelter house for the Dawson Depot has arrived. Dawson is responsible for the concrete project prior to the DCCB's staff construction of the shelter. He reported that Steve Hick has reviewed the plans and was asked to submit a quote.

Action: Jim Miller moved and Mark Powell seconded to approve the concrete quote subject to the City of Dawson's approval. All members present voted "aye", motion carried.

Electric Work Quotes for Sportsman Park and Dayton Stagecoach Inn – Director Wallace reported he has received a verbal quote from Elite Electric and Contractors in the amount of \$1,000 for a couple of small projects: move a pole and run lines to a new light at Sportsman Park and move an electric meter at Dayton Stagecoach Inn.

Action: Mark Powell moved and Glenn Vondra seconded to approve the verbal bid up to \$1,000 for the two small electrical projects. All members present voted "aye", motion carried.

Possible New Trailhead Adjacent to RRVT at P-58 – Director Wallace reminded the board of a location along P58 that Lorinda Inman suggested there be a trail head. The county engineer met with the Director at this location and reported there are several cars parking along the road causing issues with grading the road, etc. He reported that DCCB staff could construct a small rock parking lot with concrete bumpers and signage for "RRVT parking only".

Action: Glenn Vondra moved and Mark Powell seconded to approve the trailhead along P-58 as described. All members present voted "aye", motion carried.

RRVT to HTT Connector Project

Director Wallace reported that the first 1.5 miles has almost been completed. The paved crossing at the first gravel road will be completed soon and then complete the shoulder work. He reported on a \$350 donation from a 10 year old and the challenge to match this brought in \$500. Mark Powell reported that he had requested donations for the Connector via his upcoming birthday on Facebook.

There was board discussion regarding the school doing anything near the driving range.


Director Wallace reported that he is waiting to hear on the State Recreational Trail Grant. The Federal Recreational Trail Grant is due in October.

Budget – Nothing to discuss.

Other Business – None

Adjournment


There being no further business to discuss at this time, Mark Powell moved and Glenn Vondra seconded that the meeting be adjourned at 7:20 P.M. All members present voted "aye", motion carried.



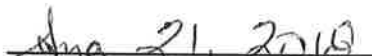
Glenn Vondra, Chair



Date



Sherry James, DCCB Staff



Date