

The Tama County Conservation Board met in regular session on Wednesday, July 1, 2015, in the library, Tama County Nature Center, Otter Creek Park.

Chairman Wrage called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.. Members present were: Adolphs, Atchison, Graff, Keenan and Wrage. Also present: Anderson, Etzel and Wise.

Minutes from the regular session of June 3, 2015, were read. It was moved by Graff, seconded Keenan to accept the minutes as read, carried. (All voting aye)

The following bills were presented:

<b>TO BE PAID FROM GEN'L FUND</b>			
		<b>Amount of Bill</b>	<b>Category Total</b>
<b>001-22-6100-000-26000 Office Supplies</b>			
<b>Staples Credit Plan</b>		76.50	76.50
<b>0001-22-6100-000-41400 Telephone</b>			
<b>Verizon</b>	16Jun15, 484-2231 (office)	26.63	
	19Jun15, 484-4157 (pay phone)	15.92	
	16Jun15, 484-5314 (Shop)	<u>14.77</u>	
		57.32	57.32
<b>0001-6110-101-22-223 Salary-Main Supervisor</b>			
<b>Wise, Craig</b>	5-Jun-15	1,650.40	
	19-Jun-15	<u>1,650.40</u>	
			3,300.80
<b>0001-6110-101-22-226 Salary-Conserv Tech</b>			
<b>Dolash, Ron</b>	6-Jun-14	1,511.20	
	19-Jun-14	<u>1,511.20</u>	
		3,022.40	3,022.40
<b>0001-6110-101-22-224 Salary-Seasonal</b>			
<b>Bergmann, Sandy</b>	5-Jun-15	708.50	
	19-Jun-15	565.50	
<b>Long, Stephanie</b>	5-Jun-15	720.00	
	19-Jun-15	800.00	
<b>Rozevink, Jared</b>	5-Jun-15	720.00	
	19-Jun-15	640.00	
<b>Schultz, Marilyn</b>	5-Jun-15	546.25	
	19-Jun-15	<u>520.38</u>	

		5,220.63	5,220.63
		<b>Total All Payroll</b>	<b>11,543.83</b>
<b>0001-22-6110-000-29252 Main &amp; Supplies</b>			
<b>Central Iowa Dist.</b>	#124018 1" x 60" dust mop handle, Credit for alum handle	5.95	
<b>Cooley Pumping</b>	#46954, two porta potties (9Jun- 6Jul15) OCP	140.00	
	#46955, one porta potty (12Jun- 9Jul15) Ike's	80.00	
<b>Earthview Environmental</b>	#001C-06 Wetland Mitigation Monitoring Sep 14- 6Jun15	3,022.69	
<b>Ellenbecker Oil Co.</b>	# 72760 Night Crawlers (6 dz) for Youth Fishing Seminar	18.00	
<b>Etzel, Robert</b>	22Jun15 lunch- Etzel & Wise MCP.com Training	19.53	
<b>Fareway</b>	Misc	9.75	
<b>Forestry Suppliers, Inc.</b>	#761309-00 thermometer, 6" cased (2)	36.61	
<b>Grainger</b>	#80129367 plug- rt angle, plug-in GFCI, 15A, 120V	122.13	
<b>Ion Exchange</b>	#00016409 84 live plants for butterfly garden- NC	146.00	
<b>Norton's Greenhouse</b>	#901900 plant starter	5.99	
<b>Poweshiek Water Assoc.</b>	Water, TFCP for May/Jun Prev: 13K, Current: 13K, used: 0K	39.00	
	Water, OCP West for May/Jun, Prev: 874K, Current:904K, used: 30K	164.75	
	Water, OCP East for May/Jun, Prev:331K, Current: 342K, Used: 11K	55.60	
<b>Premier Office Equip., Inc.</b>	#1318717 Premier Plainum Plan- Sharp AR-651 copier thru 27Jul15	58.08	
<b>Schendel Pest Control</b>	#01-0176176 1Jun15, quarterly pest control	60.00	
<b>Timber Management LLC</b>	#098268 vented shelters (150)	495.00	
<b>Wilkerson Hardware</b>	#B167657 Terri, sili seasl; #B168149 garment hook (3), 20A breaker	50.54	
		4,529.62	4,529.62
		<b>Total Bills Submitted, Gen'l Budget</b>	<b>\$ 16,207.27</b>
		<b>Total All Bills Submitted</b>	<b>\$ 16,207.27</b>

Moved by Keenan, seconded Graff to approve bills, carried. (All voting aye).



**Reports and Correspondence. Staff Report** Wise reported on work started or completed during June including mechanical repair, repair of the warehouse roof, plant trees in Parcel B wetland and Parcel C hardwood planting, cut down hazard trees, spray & mow Wolf Creek Trail, pull weed and plant native plugs into Nature Center butterfly garden/  
**MyCountyParks.com Training** Etzel and Wise attended training on June 22 on the newly updated MyCountyParks.com website. MCP.com is the state-wide website of the County Conservation Boards in Iowa./**Izaak Walton Shooting Facility** Etzel relayed that there is a handful of folks interested in getting authorized to shoot at the facility. He was having

problems finding at time that would gather enough interested shooters to make efficient use of time. Since it is less than six months until the next authorization cycle he has developed a study guide and written test for the short term shooters to take. The Board was agreeable to this option./ **Naturalist/Park Ranger** The Board welcomed Chris



Anderson who joined the staff on June 29 in the new Naturalist/Park Ranger position./**District 1 Meeting** Board members were notified that on July 14 Tama County will be hosting the District 1 meeting of county conservation board staff. District 1 consists of fourteen central Iowa counties./**Parcel B- Pollinator Planting** Etzel had met with a representative of Aurora Coop. The Coop indicates the farmer that has given them instructions to spray the field has agreed to pay for the prairie seed./ **Wolf Creek Trail** Nothing new has been received regarding the delay in FEMA reaching a decision on the trail repair. Homeland Security has no idea when FEMA will reach a decision./ **Environmental Education** The Annual Youth Fishing Seminar was held on June 17 with seventeen kids in attendance. Etzel reported it was a great day and the kids learned a lot and had a good time.

**Rotary Mower** The Board considered bids to acquire an 84” rotary cutter. The piece of equipment is needed to replace the Ford 910 rotary mower which is over forty years old. More mowing is required each year on the Hansen Addition property to maintain the wetlands and prairie tracts.

The following bids were submitted:

Company	Unit Description	Bid Price
Central Iowa Farm Store	Land Pride 84" cutter w/front and rear chains	5,850.00
Central Iowa Farm Store	Woods, 84" cutter	6,300.00
Grinnell Implement- Grinnell	Land Pride 84" rotary cutter w/ f&r chains	4,700.00
Lowry Equipment- Montezuma	Land Pride 84" cutter w/front and rear chains	7,100.00
Lowry Equipment- Montezuma	Land Pride 72" cutter w/ f & r chains	4,500.00
Van Wall Equip- Tama	John Deere HX7 rotary cutter (84")	5,500.00
Van Wall Equip- Tama	Land Pride 84" cutter w/front and rear chains	5,950.00

After discussion it was moved by Adolphs, seconded Atchison to purchase a 2015 Land Pride RCF3684 rotary cutter for \$4,700, from Grinnell Implement Store, Inc., carried. (All voting aye)

Adolphs indicated that she felt the Conservation Board should look to having an annual special event similar to the 55<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration last October. She would like to see the Board consider, with the addition of the Naturalist/Park Ranger, establishing an annual event that people could look forward to. The Board was in agreement that this would be a good thing to look at offering sometime in 2016.

Atchison shared that recently two boats were excessively and intentionally violating the “no wake” restriction at Otter Creek Lake. He questioned why we allow gas motors on the lake. The “unlimited horsepower, no wake” policy was initiated back in the early 1980’s. Etzel shared that over the years a minimum of problems have come up with this policy. Atchison indicated the on-duty ranger had evicted the two boats but felt there was an increase in boaters abusing the policy. Etzel indicated he would communicate with the Rangers and encourage them to keep a closer eye on the boaters and to more strictly enforce the no wake rule.

After discussion of assorted conservation topics it was moved by Adolphs, seconded Keenan to adjourn, carried. (all voting aye) Adjourned 7:55 p.m..

\_\_\_\_\_  
CHAIR

\_\_\_\_\_  
VICE-CHAIR