

The Tama County Conservation Board met in regular session on Wednesday, May 4, 2016, in the library, Tama County Nature Center, Otter Creek Park.

Chairman Adolphs called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.. Members present were: Adolphs, Atchison, Keenan and Wrage. Also present: Etzel, Roy & Sara Silhanek, Mike Bearden.

Minutes from the regular session of April 6, 2016, were read. It was moved by Wrage, seconded Keenan to accept the minutes as read, carried. (All voting aye)

The following bills were presented:

TO BE PAID FROM GEN'L FUND			
		Amount of Bill	Category Total
0001-22-6100-000-41400 Telephone			
Verizon	16Apr16, 484-2231 (office)	32.47	
	16Apr16, 484-5314 (shop)	15.26	
	19Apr16, 484-4157 (payphone)	16.00	
Windstream	19Apr16, 484-2231 (office), 484-4157 (payphone)	146.90	
	19Apr16, 484-5314 (shop)	<u>58.07</u>	
		268.70	268.70
Salary- Main Supervisor			
Wise, Craig	8-Apr-16	1,699.20	
	22-Apr-16	<u>1,699.20</u>	
		3,398.40	3,398.40
Salary- Naturalist/Park Ranger			
Anderson, Chris	8-Apr-16	1,384.80	
	22-Apr-16	<u>1,384.80</u>	
		2,769.60	2,769.60
0001-6110-101-22-224 Salary- Seasonal			
Bergmann, Sandy	8-Apr-16	78.00	78.00
0001-22-6110-000-25050 Fuels			
New Century FS	#009850 239.4 gals unleaded gas w/eth @ \$0.9621/gl	230.33	
	State motor fuel tax @ \$0.2930/gl	70.14	
	FET LUST	0.24	
	Hazmat fee	<u>2.15</u>	
		302.86	302.86
0001-22-6110-000-25450 Mt Veh- Minor Repair			
Central Iowa Farm Store	#48895 misc parts	213.41	
J&V Auto Parts	#492207 wiper blades (3), 15W40, Norland grease	<u>105.74</u>	
		319.15	319.15

0001-22-6110-000-29252 Main & Supplies			
Dolezal farm Supply	#0095097 lawn mix, seed oats (4)	97.00	
Etzel, Robert	Registration- Dist 1 Mtg-Boone County (Anderson, Etzel)	20.00	
Fareway	#00071556 coffee	11.49	
Iowa DOT	#32890 sign- TFCP placed on Hwy 63 N of Traer	145.28	
Menard's	#23476 misc supplies	472.73	
Paul's Ace Hardware	#007985 o-rings (8), faucet repair parts, primer sealer	39.18	
Poweshiek Water Assoc.	Water, OCP- West, 20Apr16, meter read, Prev: 1196K, Cur: 1212K, Used: 16K	124.75	
	Water, OCP- East, 20Apr16, meter read, Prev: 525K, Cur: 529K, Used: 14K	58.60	
	Water, OCP- Residence 20Apr16, meter read, Prev: 9K, Cur: 12K, Used: 3K	52.30	
	Water, TFCP 20Apr16, meter read, Prev: 14K, Cur: 14K, Used: 0K	37.00	
Scharnweber Water Cond., Inc.	26Apr16 repair water hydrant- far shelter	468.40	
Wendling Quarries	#630682 16Apr16 29.64T 1' rd stone	284.54	
	631703 18Apr16 75.33 T 1' rd stone	723.17	
	16Apr16 29.64T 1' rd stone	291.46	
	21Apr16 44.87T rd stone	430.75	
	22Apr16 73.68T rd stone	707.32	
	#628762 30.86T rd stone	296.26	
Wise, Craig	Reimburse purchase- 2 cycle oil	5.13	
		4,265.36	4,265.36
0001-22-6110-000-29400 Uniforms			
Koth, Rebecca	Reimburse- pants (2)	69.98	69.98
	Total Bills Submitted, Gen'l Budget		\$11,472.05
FROM NATURE CENTER TRUST			
0031-22-6120-000-61094 Perm Imp			
Hrabak Lumber	#0167039 misc materials- Phase 2 displays	987.83	
Museum Professionals	Phase 2 fabrication down payment (rem balance \$100,000)	71,220.00	
	Total Bills Submitted, Nature Center Trust		\$72,207.83
FROM LAD ACCOUNT			
0027-22-0210-000-44720 LAD Account- FEMA 2013 (disaster 4126)			
Clapsaddle- Garber Assoc., Inc.	#33768 Amendment #1 (100%), Bidding Phase Coordination (25%)	5,367.50	
	Total Bills Submitted, LAD Account		\$ 5,367.50

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

Reports and Correspondence. Maintenance Report Etzel reported on work started or completed during April: open Hladik Roadside Park, TF Clark Park, and Otter Creek Park, at Otter Creek Lake and Park open the following park components: t-dock, dump station, blade and rock roads, remove snow-blower and prepare mowers for the season, pull all snow cabs and plow blades, disk & seed wetland in Parcel B/C, Hansen Addition./**Environmental Education Report** A report filed by Anderson was shared with the Board. Highlights included participation in STEM Festival at South Tama Elementary, Severe Weather Preparedness Open House, presentation on pollinators at "It Takes An Iowan" program in Dysart, presentation to tour group out of Polk County./ **Staffing Update** Etzel reported that all seasonal positions have been filled. Seasonal Park Rangers are beginning to work shifts in the park. One seasonal Conservation Aide started on April 18 with the second starting on May 9. The Conservation Technician/Park Ranger is slated to start on May 9. /**Nature Center- Fun Night** Etzel presented the financial report for Fun Night. This year's event raised \$7,853 for the Nature Center and its programs./**Phase 2- Displays** Work continues on Phase 2 Displays with an anticipated completion date of June 30. /**Ike's Tract Shooting Facility** A sign up meeting was held on April 25. Ninety-two people are currently authorized to use the shooting range. The Ike's Planning Committee met on April 27 and discussed issues relative to the facility. A project needed and slated for 2016 is ADA loafing area, parking and sidewalks connecting the parking lot to both shooting stations. The Committee would also like to host a "sight in day" at the range where anyone can come to the range and sight in their firearm. The Committee set Sunday, October 2 as the date with a rain date of October 9. Times will be set as the date draws closer. Volunteers will help run the event.

Wolf Creek Trail A public hearing of the proposed repair was held. The projected cost for the restoration work was \$300,000 (\$60,000 local match). Plans and specifications were available at the hearing. No comments were received from the public. It was moved by Wrage, seconded Keenan to accept the plans as presented and to proceed with the project, carried. (All voting aye)



Mike Bearden, Clapsaddle- Garber, addressed the Board regarding the repair project for the Wolf Creek Trail. Bearden presented information concerning the bids received on April 28. A tabulation of bids and the proposal form for the apparent low bidder were presented to the Board. Bearden had communicated with the low bidder and the low bidder confirmed that he would honor his bid submitted and complete the project. Since the low bidder was unknown to Bearden a background check of references was performed. Bearden recommended the Board accept the low bid submitted by Lodge Construction Corporation of Clarksville, IA, of \$137,609.00. After discussion it was moved by Wrage, seconded Atchison to accept the bid submitted by Lodge Construction Corporation, carried. (All voting aye)

Bids received for the project were as follows:

Contractor	Location	Amount Bid
Con-Struct Inc.	Marshalltown	\$212,430.00
Hatch Grading & Constructing	Dysart	\$195,589.00
Lodge Construction Corp.	Clarksville	\$137,609.00
Minturn, Inc.	Brooklyn	\$197,603.50
Peterson Contractors, Inc.	Reinbeck	\$246,670.00
Vieth Construction Corp.	Cedar Falls	\$226,035.50

Bearden will proceed with getting the contract signed and setting a date for the pre-construction meeting. Completion date for the project by contract will be August 1, 2016.

Izaak Walton Shooting Facility The Board discussed the use of the range during the month of April by the Young Guns 4-H Shooting Club. No problems have been encountered. Roy and Sara Silhanek representing the Young Guns Club requested that the club be allowed to shoot at the facility for the remainder of the season. After discussion it was moved by Atchison, seconded Wrage to allow the Young Guns Club to utilize the range for the remainder of the 2016 shooting season on the evenings and times previously agreed upon, carried. (all voting aye)

Tama County Nature Center

Phase 2 Displays The contract for fabrication of Phase 2 displays at the Tama County Nature Center was presented. Total cost for Phase 2 fabrication is \$171,220. After discussion it was moved by Keenan, seconded

Wrage to sign the contract for Museum Professionals, Inc. to complete the fabrication of Phase 2 displays, carried. (all voting aye)

Access to displays by public Etzel had met with Cathy Wieck, Dysart Agricultural Museum to discuss how they allow public access to that facility. Volunteers run all aspects of the Dysart Museum. The museum has a nine member museum board. The museum is open every Sunday, June through September, from 2 p.m.- 4 p.m.. Volunteers assure every Sunday is covered. Groups such as tour groups or special functions, as well as special requests to view the museum are by appointment.

The Board was encouraged to think about what they thought would be a realistic way to staff the Nature Center for public viewing and what days and time would be desired.

Capital Projects 2016

North Loop Camp Area Electrical Upgrade Etzel presented some preliminary site plans and a materials list for the project. The Board instructed Etzel to begin seeking bids for the project as soon as the plans and specs are completed if prior to the June board meeting.

Izaak Walton Shooting Facility Information on ADA requirements and a site aerial were shared with the Board relative to ADA accessible parking, loafing area and approaches to both shooting stations. It is anticipated that most of the labor will be performed by volunteers while the Board will purchase the materials.

Nature Center Phase 2 Displays Tour Terry Brown of Museum Professionals, Inc., gave the board a special tour of the Phase 2 display gallery currently under construction. Brown explained what would be included and where they would be located in the gallery. Jan Vriesen, muralist for the project, is currently working to finish the mural in Phase 2. Brown shared that they are shooting for a June 30 completion date.

After discussion of assorted conservation topics it was moved by Wrage, seconded Keenan to adjourn, carried. (all voting aye) Adjourned 9:00 p.m..

CHAIR

VICE-CHAIR