

The Tama County Conservation Board met in regular session on Wednesday, September 2, 2009, in the library, Tama County Nature Center, Otter Creek Park.

Chairman Wrage called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.. Members present were: Adolphs, Anderson, Keenan, and Wrage. Also present: Etzel and Wise.

Minutes from the regular session of August 5, 2009, were read. Moved by Keenan, seconded Anderson to approve 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
0002-6100-113-22-013 Health Ins-Co Share			
Health Ins Fund	Etzel Family for September	1,203.08	1,203.08
0001-22-6100-000-41200 Postage			
Etzel, Robert	as per eleven (11) receipts	10.91	10.91
0001 22 6100 000 41400 Telephone			
Iowa Telecom	17Aug09, 484-2231 (office), 484-4157 (payphone)	122.95	
	17Aug09, 484-5314 (shop)	59.86	
Verizon	16Aug09, 484-2231 (office)	19.02	
	19Aug09, 484-4157 (payphone)	35.53	
	16Aug09, 484-5314 (shop)	<u>11.07</u>	
		248.43	248.43
0001 22 6100 000 42200 School of Instruction			
CCPOA of Iowa, Inc.	CCPOA Fall Workshop- Etzel, Wise	75.00	75.00
0001 22 6100 000 48000 Dues & Memberships			
CCPOA of Iowa, Inc.	Dues- 2009 Etzel, Wise	20.00	20.00
0001-6110-101-22-223 Salary-Main Supervisor			
Wise, Craig	7-Aug-09	1,520.00	
	21-Aug-09	<u>1,520.00</u>	
		3,040.00	3,040.00
0001-6110-101-22-226 Salary- Conservation Technician			
Dolash, Ron	7-Aug-09	1,401.60	
	21-Aug-09	<u>1,401.60</u>	
		2,803.20	2,803.20
001-6110-101-22-224 Salary			
Bergmann, Sandy	7-Aug-09	507.44	
	21-Aug-09	490.20	
Gettle, Clay	7-Aug-09	492.03	
	21-Aug-09	463.82	
Keller, Richard	7-Aug-09	700.00	
	21-Aug-09	490.00	
Kladivo, Jesse	7-Aug-09	700.00	
	21-Aug-09	<u>706.57</u>	
		4,550.06	4,550.06
0002-6110-113-22-013 Health Ins-Co Share			
Health Ins Fund	Dolash family for Sep	1,203.08	
	Wise- life insurance (Sep)	<u>0.85</u>	
		1,203.93	1,203.93
0001-22-6110-000-25050 Mt Veh-fuels			
New Century FS, Inc.	#348761 1Jul09, 198.8 gals unl gasohol @ \$2.0033/gl	398.26	
	FET (LUST)	0.20	
	State fuel tax @ \$0.19/gl	37.77	
	280.5 gls dieselex LS dyed @ \$2.0264/gl	568.41	
	Hazmat Handling fee	4.31	

	FET (LUST)	0.28	
	23Jul09 LPER 884.0 gals @ \$0.0060/gl	5.30	
	#348848 28Jul09, 250 gals unl gasohol @ \$1.89301/gal	457.53	
	FET (LUST)	0.25	
	State fuel tax @ \$0.19/gl	47.50	
	195.0 gls DX gold LS dyed @ \$1.8404/gl	358.88	
	Hazmat Handling fee	4.01	
	FET (LUST)	<u>0.20</u>	
		1,882.90	1,882.90
0001-22-6110-000-25450 Mt Veh-Minor Repair			
Monte Motor Parts	#419705 retainer	37.80	
Southard Implement	#02-224471 chain;#02-223820 Pawl (2)	<u>18.36</u>	
		56.16	56.16
0001-22-6110-000-29252 Main & Supplies			
CINTAS First Aid & Supply	#OD89090356 misc 1st aid supplies for main shop	163.90	
Fastenal	#IAMAR88376 bleach, safety glasses, #IAMAR89052 window clnr, deo block, disp gloves, etc	200.54	
Gall's	#599165800013 spotlight, repl battery (Bob's vehicle)	44.97	
Hrabak Lumber	#0104982-IN asst lumber, nails	25.68	
IACCB Conference	Regis- one day- Wrage, Etzel (12Sep09)	220.00	
Marion Brush Mfg & Janitorial Supply	#00067786 Premiere towels (4 cs), Roll towel (2 cs),		
	multi-fold towel (1), toilet paper (6 cs)	773.21	
Marshalltown Water Works	Water test (3) OCP west well 25Aug09	42.00	
Pamida	#426005285 window hardware, fabric (trailer residence)	30.95	
Poweshiek Water Assoc.	water, TFCP for Aug (meter read: 24Aug09)	36.50	
Premier Office Equip., Inc.	#60690 Premier Platinum Plan, Sharp AR-651copier thru 30Sep09	43.00	
Scharnweber Water Cond.	Misc supplies	89.10	
	Pump 3,000 gals septic (N loop rr, tent sect rr)	500.00	
Ternus Electric	#28027 Raychem wintergard H908 ground fault connection	296.98	
Wending Quarries, Inc.	#383869 21Aug09 15.28T 1" rd stone	122.24	
Wilkerson Hardware	#B68154 rug doctor (main residence)	<u>36.98</u>	
		2,626.05	2,626.05
0001-22-6110-000-43100 Electricity			
Grundy Co REC	OCP thru 4Aug09, 14,370 KWH- meter #1	1,195.25	
	1,290 kwh- meter #2 (NC)	102.59	
	security lights	18.00	
	Maintenance light charges	96.00	
Traer Municipal Utilities	TFCP thru 17Aug09, 750 kwh		
	Base charge	20.00	
	Electriciity	97.94	
	PCA	4.15	
	security lights	<u>30.56</u>	
		1,564.49	1,564.49
Total Bills Submitted, Gen'l Budget			\$ 19,284.21
From LAD Account			
0027-22-0210-000-60000 Capital Projects			
Clapsaddle-Garber Associates	#26792 Wolf Creek Trail Renovation Construction services	3,030.00	
	(25% complete)		

Dostal Const. & Excavating	27Aug09 FEMA contract work- boat landings		
	173T of rip-rap as per contract	8,450.00	
	6 T extra rip- rap	150.00	
Pheasants Forever	prairie grass & forb seed- Hansen Add- Parcel B	1,656.00	
S.L. Baumeier Co.	Restoration- Wolf Creek Nature Trail Pay Estimate #1	28,546.33	
		41,832.33	
	Total Bills Submitted, LAD Account		\$41,832.33
From Nature Center Trust Account			
0031-22-6120-000-29272 Rec Supplies			
Crookshank, Daniel	Partial refund of damage deposit, 1Aug09 event	50.00	
First Presbyterian Church	Reimburse overpayment of rental fees	25.00	
	Total Bills Submitted, Nature Center Trust		\$ 75.00
	Total All Bills Submitted		\$ 61,191.54

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

Reports and Correspondence. Staff /Work. Wise reported on work projects during August including: placing 52 fish habitat structures into the lake, site prep for Labor Day weekend and STC x-country meet (Sep 14), repairing damage caused by heavy rains /**West Well** It was reported that last six water samples have come back satisfactory. Five more samples will be drawn during September./**Great Places Grant Application** Tama County has been approved to be part of the "bus tour" evaluation under this program on September 30. A planning meeting is slated for September 3 to determine strategy for this meeting./ **Wolf Creek Trail Restoration** Work has been ongoing on the project with crushed limestone being placed on the west end of the project./**REAP grant application** The application to acquire Parcels C & D- Hansen Addition has been filed. Grants will be scored on September 15./ **Operation Releaf** Tama County has been invited to serve as a host site for Operation Releaf. The program, supported by Alliant Energy, allows Alliant customers to buy up to two quality shade trees for the reduced price of \$25. TCCB staff will administer the event by collecting fees, processing orders, answering questions, mailing reminder postcards to participants, recruiting volunteers to work the day of the event, providing a distribution site, & paying the nurseries for the stock delivered. In return it is anticipated the CCB will net about \$2,000 for the Nature Center Exhibit project./**FEMA Projects- boat landings** It was reported that Dostal Construction has completed work on the rip-rap project to repair boat landings from the flooding in 2008./**IACCB Annual Conference** Wrage and Etzel will be attending one day of the annual conference on September 12 in Decorah.

Etzel has been communicating with the Iowa DOT regarding getting brown directional signs to Otter Creek Lake & Park placed on the Highway 30 project through Tama/Toledo. The Board agreed that signing off Highway 30 is very important to inform travelers along the route of the park's existence. Etzel also pointed to the fact that along Highway 30 in central Iowa there were very few parks that provided similar services and amenities such as Otter Creek. The Board encouraged Etzel to keep pursuing this request.

Etzel had met with Jeff Tisl, Iowa Dept. of Agriculture and Land Stewardship (IDALS), Larry Jones and Clint Miller (NRCS) regarding filing a grant application for a Watershed Development & Planning Assistance Grant. If successful the grant will help pay for a holistic assessment of the watershed to Otter Creek Lake, determine what sampling needs to be done, and develop a plan to steer future efforts in the watershed. It is also an important first step in moving towards possible inclusion to receive assistance for lake renovation work in the Otter Creek Lake basin (i.e. silt removal, etc.).

The Board discussed the current reservation policy regarding use of the Nature Center. The policy is reservations for a particular calendar year will not be accepted until November of the preceding year. In reality Etzel tentatively books events up to one year in advance of the event date with the understanding the party will call back after November 1 to remind Etzel of the reservation. Recently requests have come in to book the facility for 2012. Etzel does not feel comfortable booking these events that far in advance and queried whether the board agreed. After discussion the board was in agreement that booking events one year in advance was preferred however gave Etzel permission to work with parties on a special basis in booking further out if warranted.

After discussion of assorted conservation topics it was moved by Keenan, seconded Adolphs to adjourn, carried, Adjourned 8:10 p.m..

CHAIR

VICE-CHAIR