

The Tama County Conservation Board met in regular session on Wednesday, April 6, 2011, in the library, Tama County Nature Center, Otter Creek Park.

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

Minutes from the regular session of March 2, 2011, were read. It was moved by Benda, seconded Keenan to accept the minutes as presented, carried. (All voting aye)

The following bills were presented:

TO BE PAID FROM GEN'L FUND			
		Amount of Bill	Category Total
0001-22-6100-000-26000 Office Supplies			
Staples Credit Plan	#1039784001, #1430409001,#110100500 1 misc office supplies	353.14	353.14
0001-22-6100-000-29400 Uniforms			
Land's End	#10025762 mesh band shirt (2), Oxford shirt	80.50	80.50
0001-22-6100-000-40000 Publications & Notices			
Tama/Grundy Publishing	Legal Notice- Storm Water Discharge Notice- Parcel A- Pond Project	113.64	113.64
0001-22-6100-000-41200 Postage			
Etzel, Robert	as per two (2) receipts	9.76	9.76
0001-22-6100-000-41400 Telephone			
Verizon	16Mar11, 484-2231 (office)	10.10	
	19Mar11, 484-4157 (payphone)	12.09	
	16Mar11, 484-5314 (shop)	11.49	
Windstream	17Mar11, 484-2231 (office), 484-4157 (payphone)	125.13	
	17Mar11, 484-5314 (shop)	55.98	
		214.79	214.79
0001-6110-101-22-223			
Wise, Craig	4-Mar-11	1,524.00	
	18-Mar-11	1,524.00	
		3,048.00	3,048.00
0001-6110-101-22-226 Salary			
Dolash, Ron	4-Mar-11	1,401.60	
	18-Mar-11	1,401.60	
		2,803.20	2,803.20
0001-22-6110-000-25050 Fuels			
New Century FS, Inc	#00380437 243.0 gals unleaded gasohol @ \$2.7313/gal	663.70	

	State gas tax	46.17	
	FET (LUST)	0.24	
	180.0 gals DX gold ULS dyed 15 PPM @ \$3.0518/gal	549.32	
	FET (LUST)	0.18	
	HAZMAT handling fee	3.81	
		1,263.42	1,263.42
0001-22-6110-000-29252 Main & Supplies			
B&G HVAC, Inc.	#7403 repair heat pump- Nature Center	1,762.62	
CINTAS	#OD89113937 misc first aid supplies	183.29	
Etzel, Robert	29mar11 Regis- Etzel, Wise- CCPOA Spring Workshop (Iowa Co)	20.00	
Hrabak Lumber Co	#0120435 4- 2X10X8 LUMBER @ \$9.20 EA	36.80	
Menard's	#81463 paint (2 gal)	21.98	
Mitchell Co Env Ed Foundation	#9 Partnership contribution- Cedar River Watershed Educ Plan	200.00	
Poweshiek water Assoc	Water, OCP- West 22Mar11 meter read, Prev: 52K, Current: 57K, Used: 5K	59.90	
	Water, OCP- East 22Mar11 meter read, Prev: 39K, Current: 39K, Used: 0 K	35.00	
Premier Office Equipment	#78674 premier platinum plan, Sharp AR-651 thru 30Mar11	46.00	
	#79820 premier platinum plan, Sharp AR-651 thru 30Apr11	46.00	
Schade Lime & Rock	22Mar11 Trucking 257.79T 1" rd stone to OCP	1,791.64	
	Wending tickets #1109932,1109945,1109971,1109931,1109947,1109977, 1109981,1109986,1109988,1109984,1109987,1109980,1109995,1110011, 111,002,411,100,121,000,000		
Scharnweber Water Cond.	1Apr11 Pump septic- Nature Center	310.00	
Tama Co. Highway Dept	#1 Random drug & alcohol test 31Oct10- Dolash & Wise	137.14	
Tama Co. Solid Waste	31Mar11 Landfill fees- March	22.40	
Ternus Electric	#30277 Bypass filter-trailer residence, #30284 check heat pump- NC	241.78	
Wending Quarry	#432366 17Mar11 15.2T 1" rd stone;18Mar11 121.49T 1" rd stone	2,191.23	

	#432367 17Mar11 60.74 T, 1" rd stone,#432914 21Mar11 45.31T 1" rd stone,		
	22Mar11 15.05T 1" rd stone		
		7,105.78	7,105.78
0001-22-6110-000-29400			
Uniforms			
Land's End	#10025762 Priced right t's (6), pocket t's (2), classic band mesh (2)	118.89	118.89
0001-22-6110-000-43000			
LP Gas			
New Century FS	Pre-paid LP purchase,Ticket #09704, 28Mar11		
	938 gals LP @ \$1.599/gal = \$1,499.86, LPER = \$4.69, HAZ = \$8.44		
	Current Balance = \$480.65, Main res = 263, Main shop = 675 gals		
0001-22-6110-000-43100			
Electricity			
Grundy Co REC	OCP thru 1Mar11, 6,378 kwh- meter #1, 4,302 kwh- NC	937.06	937.06
Total Bills Submitted, Gen'l Budget			16,048.18
FROM NATURE CENTER TRUST			
0031-22-6120-000-29272			
Main & Supplies			
earthdayshirts.com	#082013 9 @ \$7.95, 3 @ \$10.95, 10@ \$7.95, 2@ \$10.95, 6 @ \$7.95	253.50	
My Mother's Place	Fun Nite (26Mar11), 192 meals @ \$8.75/meal	1,680.00	
		1,933.50	1,933.50
0031-22-6120-000-29672			
Art Supplies			
Wild Wings	#194697 misc items for Fun Nite auctions	1,026.80	
Zach Wildlife Art	Dream Bucks III- framed, Foggy Morning Trio (Framed) Encore canvas	343.00	
		1,369.80	1,369.80
Total Bills Submitted, Nature Center Trust			\$ 3,303.30
FROM LAD Account			
0027-22-0210-000-60000			
Capital Projects			
Northern Iowa Construction Products	#CF-11125 3- 24"x20', 16 ga steel culverts @ \$18.20/ft	1,092.00	
Total Bills Submitted, LAD Account			\$ 1,092.00

Total All Bills Submitted	\$ 20,443.48
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Moved by Anderson, seconded Keenan to approve bills, carried. (All voting aye).

Reports and Correspondence. Staff Report Wise presented information on work started or completed in March including: trim trees- TF Clark Park, park repairs, preparation and cleanup for Fun Nite, remove snow fences, open dump station, install three culverts on Hansen Addition, trash pickup- Ike's Tract, mow fire breaks/**Summer Staff-** Job interviews were conducted during the last week of March/ **Fun Night for the Nature Center** Board members discussed the event and its success. It was estimated that over 190 person attended. Financial breakdown on the event will be forthcoming./**Watershed Mgmt. Plan** Etzel met w/Ginny Elliott, Plan Writer, Jeff Tisl, IDALS, and Lisa Fascher, DNR, regarding what still needs to be done for the plan/**Wetland Mitigation Plan** Etzel met w/Judy Krieg, EarthView Environmental, L.L.C., Karin Dils, P.E. Arcadian Engineering, L.L.C., and Lyle Brehm, County Engineer, relative to the wetland mitigation sites and filing of the wetland mitigation plan with the Army Corps of Engineers/**CCPOA Workshop** Report was given regarding the CCPOA Training that Etzel and Wise attended in Iowa County on March 29.

Nature Center Exhibit Component The Board discussed work that needed to be done in the short term prior to actual fabrication of exhibits sometime in the future. Etzel recommended the Board consider beginning taxidermy work and castings of plants as they bloom this spring and early summer.

The Board discussed fundraising needed for the Nature Center exhibit component project. There is currently conservation funds available totaling slightly over \$190,000 that could be applied towards the \$450,000 project. Considering there remains nearly \$260,000 that needs to be raised prior to proceeding with fabrication of the exhibits the board discussed the need for aggressive fundraising to occur during 2011 and 2012. The Board discussed the number of man-hours needed to research grant sources and writing the grants. After discussion it was moved by Keenan, seconded Benda to hire Katherine Ollendieck to write grants on behalf of the project, carried. (all voting aye)

Crop Lease- Parcel C- Hansen Addition The board discussed leasing 17.5 acres of Parcel C for the 2011 crop year. Etzel recommended that beans be cropped this year in preparation of woodland planting in 2012 or 2013. After discussion it was by Anderson, seconded Keenan that, following an ad in the local paper, the crop lease be awarded to the highest bonafide bidder if an acceptable per acre bid is submitted, carried. (all voting aye)

After discussion of assorted conservation topics it was moved by Anderson, seconded Keenan to adjourn, carried, Adjourned 8:20 p.m..

CHAIR

VICE-CHAIR