

The Tama County Conservation Board met in regular session on Wednesday, June 6, 2012, in the library, Tama County Nature Center, Otter Creek Park.

Chair Anderson called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.. Members present were: Adolphs, Anderson, Keenan, McCool, and Wrage.

Also present: Etzel, Wise, Jim Allen, Allen Atchison, Vic Bjork, Jack Cooper, Marty McCoy, and Bob Mullen.

Minutes from the regular session of May 2, 2012, were read. It was moved by McCool, 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
0001-22-6100-000-26000 Office Supplies			
Staples Contract & Commercial	#7000003265 time cards, ink, injet paper, etc.	112.19	112.19
0001-22-6100-000-29400 Uniforms			
Etzel, Robert	two pr slacks (Dillard's)	104.80	104.80
0001-22-6100-000-40000 Publications & Notices			
Tama/Grundy Publishing	Help wanted ads- seasonals	84.35	84.35
0001-22-6100-000-41400 Telephone			
Verizon	16May12, 484-2231 (office)	10.04	
Verizon	16May12, 484-5314 (shop)	11.63	
	19May12, 484-4157 (payphone)	12.27	
Windstream	18May12, 484-2231 (office), 484-4157 (pay phone)	126.35	
	18May12, 484-5314 (shop)	56.10	
		216.39	216.39
0001-22-6100-000-48000 Dues & Membership			
IACCB	Annual Dues FY '13 dues (partial remaining balance = \$350)	1,150.00	1,150.00
0001-6110-101-22-223 Salary- Main Supv/Ranger			
Wise, Craig	11-May-12	1,554.40	
	25-May-12	1,554.00	
		3,108.40	3,108.40
0001-6110-101-22-226 Salary- Conserv Tech			
Dolash, Ron	11-May-12	1,428.80	
	25-May-12	1,428.80	
		2,857.60	2,857.60
0001-6110-101-22-224 Salary- Seasonal			

Bergmann, Sandy	11-May-12	177.00	
	25-May-12	472.50	
Gettle, Clayton	11-May-12	86.00	
	25-May-12	552.29	
Horne, Dustin	11-May-12	0.00	
	25-May-12	700.00	
Ingle, Cara	11-May-12	0.00	
	25-May-12	<u>623.44</u>	
		2,611.23	2,611.23
0001-22-6110-000-25050 Fuels			
New Century FS, Inc.	21Apr11 #352459 255.3 gals unleaded gasohol @ \$3.3218/gal	848.06	
	SMFT @ \$0.21 per gal	48.51	
	FET (Lust)	0.26	
	HAZMAT handling fee	2.30	
	62.5 gals DX Gold Dyed 15 PPM @ \$3.5661/gal	222.88	
	HAZMAT handling fee	0.56	
	FET (Lust)	0.06	
	Credit (carryover from pre-paid LP gas)	<u>-480.65</u>	
		641.98	641.98
0001-22-6110-000-25350 Tires & Tubes			
Z Line Tire & Repair	#1-75543 9x3.50x4 tubes (4) @ \$5.99 ea, 18x8.50/950x8 tube	34.44	34.44
0001-22-6110-000-25450 Mt Veh- Minor Repair			
Central Iowa Farm Store	#109010 Misc parts- cartridges (4), filters (2), blades (9)	279.65	
D's Auto & Truck Inc	#71953 '08 Ford F-250 brake pad (front)	144.43	
J&V Auto Parts	#439831 oil, grease,#440263 filters, oil, etc.,#440574 hose,		
	antifreeze,#440720 locknuts, screw, grease	228.14	
Lowry Equipment Co.	#01-4521,#01-4745, 01-4597, 01-4777 misc Kubota parts	340.71	
Southard Implement Co	#03-349847 I-beam line,#02-250121 misc rings, seals	<u>49.02</u>	
		1,041.95	1,041.95
0001-22-6110-000-29252 Main & Supplies			
Benda Ag Service	#31225 spraying- Parcels A- Hansen Addition	183.81	
Central Iowa Distributing	#91581 misc janitorial supplies	979.60	
Chyma's Machine & Welding	#30058 repair tree spade, build 2nd	146.25	
Etzel, Robert	Wildlife Salvage Permit- Permit #SC679	15.00	
Fastenal Co	#IAMAR111345 misc supplies	351.41	

Grainger	#9832148986 safety glasses (3), Bug bulbs, Exit signs (shop)	152.63	
Iowa DNR	NPDES permit for pond project- 1 yr	175.00	
Jerico Services	#0062460-IN 15May12 800 gals CaCl for OCP @ \$0.90/gal	720.00	
Kroymann, Robert	As per ROW agreement to TFCP Addition (15Jun12-14Jun13)	30.00	
Menard's	#27992 misc supplies	31.72	
Norton's Greenhouse	#222397, #05/31/12 various plants for OCP	134.61	
Pamida	#174-04719 flower pots (8) for NC deck	19.12	
Poweshiek Water Assoc.	Water, TFCP for Mar/Apr Prev: 6K, Current: 6K	35.00	
	Water, OCP West for Mar/Apr, Prev: 132K, Current:136K	54.60	
	Water, OCP East for Mar/Apr, Prev:151K, Current: 152K	38.50	
	Water, TFCP for Apr/May Prev: 6K, Current: 6K	35.00	
	Water, OCP West for Apr/May, Prev: 136K, Current:146K	87.00	
	Water, OCP East for Apr/May, Prev:152K, Current: 156K	54.60	
Premier Office Equip., Inc	#011252, Premier Platinum Plan Sharp AR-651 copier thru 30May12	48.00	
	#012329, Premier Platinum Plan Sharp AR-651 copier thru 30Jun12	48.00	
Schade Lime & Rock, Inc	Trucking 137.01T to OCP, 26-30Apr12, Tickets #1233944, 1233953,	965.92	
	123961,1233971,1233986, 1234036,1234032,1234023,1234062		
Scharnweber Water Cond	17May12 packing (6), support-washer (6)	19.80	
Spahn & Rose Lumber	#2676607 drylock masonry;#2676817 decking oil stain (4)	176.94	
Tama Chainsaw and Lawnmower	#265880 linkage, visor, string	93.70	
Tama County Highway Dept	3May12, Inv#29 random drug & alcohol test- Wise	95.33	
Tama County Solid Waste Disposal	31May12 Landfill fees- Apr & May	144.45	
Tama/Grundy Publishing	Printing- 3K #10 envelopes w/logo, address; 5K camp regis envelopes	559.95	
Wendling Quarries, Inc	#469570 26- 30Apr12, 137.01 T 1" rd stone, Tickets #1233944,1233953	1,198.84	
	123961,1233971,1233986, 1234036,1234032,1234023,1234062		
Wilkerson Hardware	#B123700 chain, roller cover, batteries, paint tray liner, etc.	38.43	
		6,633.21	6,633.21
0001-22-6110-000-43000 LP Gas			
Pre-paid LP purchase, Ticket #11696, 4Jun12	282 gals @ \$1.389 = \$395.65 (incl LPER= \$1.41, HAZ = \$2.54)		
	Current Balance = \$2,698.47		
0001-22-6110-000-43100 Electricity			

Grundy Co REC	OCP thru 1May12, 5,435 kwh- meter #1, 3,205 kwh-NC	852.56	
Traer Municipal Utilities	TFCP thri 15May 12, 124 KWH	117.06	
		969.62	<u>969.62</u>
	Total Bills Submitted, Gen'l Budget		19,566.16
FROM LAD Account			
0027-22-0210-000-6000 Capital Projects			
Dolezal Farm Supply	#0051568 for Ike's Tract gate, hinges, gate wheel, corner posts (2)	266.00	
	Total Bills Submitted, LAD Account		266.00
FROM NATURE CENTER TRUST			
0031-22-6120-000-29272 Main & Supplies			
Cooley Pumping	#17913 2- porta potties 24Apr- 21May12 period	140.00	
0031-22-6120-000-29672 Art Supplies			
Wild Wings	#21700324 EV, Fun Night auction items	307.91	
	Mansfield, Carver, & RJ McElroy		
	Total Bills Submitted, Nature Center Trust		\$ 447.91
	Total All Bills Submitted		\$ 20,280.07

Moved by Adolphs, seconded McCool to approve bills, carried. (All voting aye).

Reports and Correspondence. Thanks Yous The following folks will be sent thank yous for their efforts on behalf of the natural resource facilities in the county: Don & Lori Norton (Norton's Greenhouse), Carol Peterie (Trees for the Future), Allan & Sandra Atchison, and NRCS staff./ **Staff Report** Wise reported on work started or completed during May including inspection of Otter Creek Lake dam by DNR inspectors, clear tree limbs in park, mow Wolf Creek Trail, clean silt pond covers, mow road and lake edge, weed eat, stain picnic tables, place beach ropes, service vehicles, cut autumn olive./ **Environmental Education** Etzel reported that staff had been involved in site preparation and as instructors in the 5th grade field day hosted by the Tama SWCD held at the park on May 16. Etzel had also provided EE to North Tama 1st graders on May 11./**Parcel A-Hansen Addition Pond Project-** construction has started on the project with limited site clearing/**Camping Report-Memorial Day weekend** Good camping numbers were present in the park over the holiday weekend. Also, day use was quite heavy. No problems of note were experienced./**Annual Youth Fishing Seminar** On Thursday, June 21, the annual youth fishing seminar will be held at Otter Creek Lake and Park. The event is open to any boy or girl aged 10- 13 yrs of age.

Izaak Walton Shooting Facility Etzel reported on progress made in May including the Friends of Ike's Tract advisory committee meeting of May 8. At that meeting the committee had made recommendations for new Park/Range Rules to address problems leading to closure of the facility. Etzel had also met w/Don Freeman and Dean Knight, representing the State Izaak Walton League regarding the lease on the property. Contact had been made with Doug McDonald, Iowa DOT, regarding accessing fill dirt near the intersection of H Ave and Hwy 30 for use in building up the shooting berms. He also reported that he had received more feedback from landowners near the facility.

While progress continues it is anticipated the facility will remain closed until sometime in July.

The Board reviewed the following documents for possible approval:

- Ike's Tract Shooting Range Rules
- Rules for Authorized Shooters
- Definitions for Legitimate Use

➤ Range Use Agreement form

After discussion it was moved by Adolphs, seconded Keenan to approve the Ike's Tract Shooting Range Rules as presented, carried. (all voting aye)

Ike's Tract Shooting Range Rules

1. This is a **RESTRICTED USE FACILITY**. To legally use this facility and shooting range with a firearm or a bow a person must have paid the annual user fee, signed a range use agreement for this facility, been issued a range use card and an entry gate key by the Tama County Conservation Board. Contact the Tama County Conservation Board at (641) 484-2231 or tccb@tamacounty.org to acquire the proper permit.
2. State and Federal laws apply to the range.
3. Park hours (i.e. Range Hours) will be Monday through Saturday, 8:00am to sunset or 8 p.m. (whichever occurs first) and Sunday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. It will be a violation of state law to be present on the facility outside of these hours.
4. It is mandatory that ear and eye protection be worn by everyone at or near the firing stations.
5. No fully automatic weapons, bump style or similar auto type action will be allowed to be used at the range. Bump firing is the act of using the recoil of a semi-automatic firearm to fire multiple shots in rapid succession.
6. Armor piercing, incendiary, tracer, chemical and explosive projectiles, or devices designed to fire or propel explosive, incendiary, or chemical projectiles are prohibited.
7. All firearms shooting a single projectile, and shotguns shooting shot #5 or larger, will be discharged from one of the firing stations/benches. Shotguns using #6 shot or smaller can be used for shooting clay pigeons. Single projectiles and shot #5 or larger are to impact the earthen berm in front of the firing station.
8. Firearms shall be discharged from the firing stations. Firearms may be discharged adjacent to the benches from the ground in the prone, sitting and standing positions. All firearms discharged shall be fired in an easterly direction only.
9. Only paper targets shall be allowed. Shotgun shooters may shoot clay pigeons. Shooters are required to use their own target holders. The target frame will be constructed so that when the paper target is attached, the bottom of the target will be one inch higher (37") than the top of the shooting benches at the range.
10. No shooting of objects on the ground or in trees is allowed.
11. No cross-range shooting is allowed.
12. No target is to be placed atop the earthen berms. Firing at any target placed atop the earthen berm will result in automatic revocation of the shooter's annual permit to use the facility.
13. No single projectile fired from a firearm shall have a trajectory over the earthen berm. A violation of this rule will result in automatic revocation of the shooter's annual permit to use the facility..
14. No person under 18 is allowed to discharge a firearm without the direct supervision of an adult shooter authorized to use this range.
15. All shooters must coordinate amongst themselves before going down-range to place, retrieve, change or tend to targets.
16. Shooters are responsible for picking up their paper targets and spent cartridges/shells and placing them in the garbage cans provided.
17. Target shooting with bow and arrow is allowed in the mowed area immediately north of the parking lot. Arrows are to be shot to the north only.
18. No drugs or alcohol or persons under the influence are allowed on the range property; this includes the parking area.
19. When someone is shooting clay pigeons or shooting trap no other people will be allowed to use the range. If a shooter who desires to shoot clay pigeons arrives while others are using the range the trap shooter must wait for the range to clear before beginning to shoot.
20. All shooters must sign in at the log in station upon their arrival and before commencing firing at the range.

It was moved by Adolphs, seconded Keenan to approve the Rules for Authorized Shooters, Definitions for Legitimate Use and the Range Use Agreement, carried. (all voting aye)

Camp Coupons Request The Board considered two requests regarding use of 2011 camping coupons during the 2012 camping season. Correspondence received from Kerri Dunkel (four coupons), Virginia Jensen (two coupons), and Bob & Deb Husak (two coupons) were reviewed. In all cases the parties described extenuating circumstances due the July 11, 2011, disaster that prevented them from using up their coupons. The Board discussed the requirement that coupons must be used in the camping season purchased and felt it was very important not to routinely allow coupons to be used beyond expiration. However, the Board also felt that the severity of the storm, the impact on these folks, and the fact the park was closed for three weeks following the storm all contributed to this occurrence. It was moved by

Wrage, seconded McCool to allow Dunkel, Jensen and Husak to use their coupons during this camping season with the following dates excluded June 29- 30, July 3, July 6-7, August 31 and September 1-2, carried. (all voting aye)

Pond Project- Parcel A, Hansen Addition The Board reviewed the Contractor Performance Bond submitted by S.L. Baumeier Co. for the 3.2 acre pond construction project. It was moved by Adolphs, seconded Wrage to accept the Contractor Performance Bond as presented, carried. (all voting aye)

Operation Releaf Laura Wagner, Iowa DNR, had contacted Etzel relative to the County Conservation Board possibly serving as an Operation Releaf site this fall. The last time the Board served as a site was in 2009. Due to severe tree damage in the area Etzel felt it was a good idea to provide this opportunity to Tama County residents who are Alliant customers. The program allows Alliant customers to purchase high quality trees, often valued as high as \$85, for \$25. By administering the program some funds can be raised for the Nature Center Trust. After discussion it was moved by Wrage, seconded McCool that Tama County serve as an Operation Releaf site on Thursday, October 11, carried. (all voting aye)

LAD Account The Board discussed revenues for placement into the Land Acquisition and Development Account (LAD). The following funds were suggested:

LAD Account June, 2012		
Source	Description	Amount
Wobeter, Clint	Crop rental- 2012 Parcel B- Hansen	2,362.50
Wobeter, Clint	Crop rental- 2012 Parcel C- Hansen	4,500.00
Wobeter, Clint	Crop rental- 2012 Reinig Tract	4,162.50
Koster, Kam	Crop rental- 2012 Parcel B- Hansen	2,362.50
Koster, Kam	Crop rental- 2012 Parcel C- Hansen	4,500.00
Koster, Kam	Crop rental- 2012 Reinig Tract	4,162.50
FEMA	Public Assistance- 2011 Storm PW8359	39,202.41
FEMA	Public Assistance- 2011 Storm PW126	750.00
FEMA	Public Asst- 2011 Storm PW126,203, 151	10,062.27
FEMA	Public Asst- 2011 Storm PW204	1,488.36
FY '12 Budget	Annual transfer to LAD Account- silt related	14,400.00
FY '12 Budget	End of year remaining balance (Estimated)	?????
TOTAL REQUEST FOR DEPOSIT		87,953.04

Etzel reported that the FY '12 year end balance will not be known until later this month due to camp receipts still being collected. He projects that up to a \$7,000 shortfall of revenues is projected for FY '12 due to the severe wind storm in July, 2011.

The Board discussed how the LAD account has been drawn down significantly the past few years due to projects that were unforeseen including the Poweshiek Water connection to Otter Creek Lake and Park and post storm recovery efforts following July 11, 2011. After discussion it was moved to request the Supervisors place the above receipts, including the Conservation Board's year end balance, into the Land Acquisition and Development Account, carried. (all voting aye)

Exhibit Component- Nature Center The Board discussed needed work regarding botanical modeling and taxidermy for use in the Exhibit Component. Etzel relayed that many of the specimens stored in freezers were getting pretty old making them less attractive for mounting. Also, the plant molds are needed to produce replicas to be used in the diorama. Estimates provided by Terry Brown, Museum Professionals, Inc. were \$3,600 for botanical molds and \$20,000 in taxidermy. It was moved by Adolphs, seconded Keenan to proceed with this work, carried. (all voting aye)

ADA Access Etzel had been contacted by a user of the facility whose spouse was declining in health severely limiting her ability to walk more than a few feet. The user had requested permission to access a particular portion of shoreline

they had fished together for the past three decades with the aid of a golf cart. Etzel wanted the Board to be aware that he had granted this request.

After discussion of assorted conservation topics it was moved by Keenan, seconded Adolphs to adjourn, carried, Adjourned 9:00 p.m..

CHAIR

VICE-CHAIR