

The Tama County Conservation Board met in regular session on Wednesday, June 5, 2013, in the library, Tama County Nature Center, Otter Creek Park.

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

Minutes from the regular session of May 1, 2013, were read. It was moved by McCool, seconded Adolphs 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
0001-22-6100-000-29400 Uniforms			
Etzel, Robert	two pr slacks (Dillard's)	89.82	89.82
001-22-6100-000-41200 Postage			
Etzel, Robert	As per five receipts	12.86	12.86
0001-22-6100-000-41400 Telephone			
Verizon	16May13, 484-2231 (office)	46.14	
	16May13, 484-5314 (shop)	14.89	
	19May13, 484-4157 (payphone)	15.50	
Windstream	20May13, 484-2231 (office), 484-4157 (pay phone)	128.24	
	20May13, 484-5314 (shop)	<u>55.81</u>	
		260.58	260.58
0001-22-6100-000-48000 Dues & Membership			
IACCB	Annual Dues FY '13 dues (partial remaining balance = \$350)	1,500.00	1,500.00
0001-6110-101-22-223 Salary- Main Supv/Ranger			
Wise, Craig	10-May-13	1,584.80	
	24-May-13	<u>1,584.80</u>	
		3,169.60	3,169.60
0001-6110-101-22-226 Salary- Conserv Tech			
Dolash, Ron	10-May-13	1,460.80	
	24-May-13	<u>1,460.80</u>	
		2,921.60	2,921.60
0001-6110-101-22-224 Salary- Seasonal			
Bergmann, Sandy	24-May-13	511.44	
Brown, Rick	10-May-13	702.00	
	24-May-13	679.50	
Gettle, Clayton	24-May-13	299.75	

Horne, Dustin	24-May-13	360.00	
		2,552.69	2,552.69
0001-22-6110-000-25050			
Fuel			
New Century FS	#002977, 6may13 unleaded gasohol, 197.3 gals @ \$2.8868/gal	569.57	
	FET (LUST)	0.20	
	State Motor Fuel Tax @ \$0.19 per gal	37.49	
	Hazmat handling fee	1.78	
	#003097 28May13 unleaded gasohol, 200.0 gals @ \$3.2791 per gal	655.82	
	FET (LUST)	0.20	
	State Motor Fuel Tax @ \$0.19 per gal	38.00	
	Hazmat handling fee	1.80	
	#003098 28May13 #1 ULS Dyed 15 ppm, 250.7 gals @ \$3.1409 per gal	787.42	
	FET (LUST)	0.25	
	Hazmat handling fee	2.26	
	#739859, 9May13 regulator	59.82	
	Credit	-156.61	
		1,998.00	1,998.00
0001-22-6110-000-25350			
Tires & Tubes			
Z Line Tire & Repair	#1-83653 9x350-4 tube TR-87 (4)	23.96	
	#1-83936 235/85R16/10 ply tires for '01 Dodge	1,218.88	
		1,242.84	1,242.84
0001-22-6110-000-25450			
Mt Veh- Minor Repair			
J&V Auto Parts	#453553 15W40 3 gal, hyd oil, 2 cycle small eng oil	111.65	
	#454180, oil & air filters, oil, grease	183.23	
Lowry Equipment, Inc.	#01-8049 misc parts- Kubota	257.24	
		552.12	
0001-22-6110-000-29050			
Min Equip- Hand tools			
Fareway	#36 Cedar corner mop, O Cedar mop	14.08	
0001-22-6110-000-29252			
Main & Supplies			
Agri Drain	#0442505-IN 14" catch basin & 4" stub, catch basin grate- 14"	347.23	
Central Iowa Distributing	#7883 misc janitorial supplies	1,079.44	
Cooley Pumping	#24862 two porta potties- 4th grade field day	70.00	
Ever-Green Landscape Nursery	#002218 80 cy play safety surfacing	1,720.00	
Fareway	#36 RAID ant baits, coffee	14.37	
Good's Eavespouting	Eavespout- Nature Center Exterior work as bid	1,252.50	

Grainger	#801293671 flashlight, lamp	51.29	
Haughey Construction	Inv#1 Progressive as billed, Nature Center exterior work	5,000.00	
Hrabak Lumber	#0140542-IN trusses, #014543 lumber, #0140807 lumber, #0141016 PVC trim coil, #1041034 DECRA rake channel (NC Repairs)	2,017.01	
	#0141470-IN misc lumber, #0141557-IN Misc	1,071.80	
	#0141669-IN misc lumber- ext NC, #0141761-IN misc;#0141835-IN misc	1,158.24	
Iowa Fire Equip Co	#261228 Annual inspection, 12V 8AH batteries (3)	426.85	
Jerico Services	#0064746-IN 17May13 750 gals CaCl for OCP @ \$0.93/gal	697.50	
Kroymann, Robert	As per ROW agreement to TFCP Addition (15Jun13-14Jun14)	30.00	
Northern Iowa Construction Products	#CF-13320 Wood Excelsior (15 rolls) @ \$50 ea, 2 box staples	830.00	
Norton's Greenhouse	#2235 plants for OCP	138.71	
Paul's Ace Hardware	#806 battery- photo lith 3V (2 pk)	12.99	
	#001075 paint, sprayer, patch,#001076 Credit,#001059 screws, elbow, etc	110.41	
Poweshiek Water Assoc.	Water, TFCP for Apr/May Prev: 9K, Current: 9K	35.00	
	Water, OCP West for Apr/May, Prev: 253K, Current: 270K	118.50	
	Water, OCP East for Apr/May, Prev: 205K, Current: 208K	48.30	
Premier Office Equip., Inc	#864214, Premier Platinum Plan Sharp AR-651 copier thru 27Jun13	48.00	
Schade Lime & Rock, Inc	Trucking 163.94T to OCP, 16-26Apr13, Tickets #13016551, 3016563	1,163.97	
	3016655, 3015983, 3016012, 3016042, 3016068, 3015980, 3016011		
	3016043, 3016070		
Snaplock Industries	#0028160-IN tiles for shoerhouse-cross-rib tiles (84), male edge (12)	358.72	
Spahn & Rose Lumber	#2684286 quik-crete (4), caluk (10), DAP concrete (4), Marathon Blade	60.94	
Tama County Solid Waste Disposal	30Apr30 Landfill fees- April, 31May13 Landfill fees- May	156.10	
Tri-State Lock Service	#27043 Ike's keys 25 keys @ \$5 ea	125.00	
Wendling Quarries, Inc	#506311 25- 26Apr13, 45.11 T 1" rd stone, Tickets #3016551, 3016563	401.48	
	3016655		
	#513457, 8Jun13 30.4T comm conc stone @ \$14.50/T, #3018081,3018087	440.81	
		18,985.16	18,985.16
0001-22-6110-000-43100 Electricity			
Grundy Co REC	OCP thru 1May13, 6,332 kwh- meter #1, 4,768 kwh- NC	1,146.06	
	OCP thru 1Jun13, 9,278 kwh- meter #1, 3,382 kwh- NC	1,332.63	
Traer Municipal Utilities	TFCP thri 15May13, 125 KWH (includes \$50 reconnect fee)	117.53	

		2,596.22	2,596.22
0001-22-6110-000-63700			
Shop Equipment			
Grainger	#9163092035 cordless drill, drive set	243.99	243.99
	Total Bills Submitted, Gen'l Budget		35,573.36
FROM NATURE CENTER TRUST			
0031-22-6120-000-29272			
Main & Supplies			
Cooley Pumping	#24862 2- porta potties 5h Grade Field Day	70.00	
	Total Bills Submitted, Nature Center Trust		\$ 70.00
FROM REAP Account			
0023-22-0210-000-60096			
REAP Account			
Museum Professionals, Inc.	#804 Phase 1- diorama project 4 of 10 equal payments	25,051.60	
	Total Bills Submitted, REAP Account		\$ 25,051.60
	Total All Bills Submitted		\$ 60,624.96

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

Reports and Correspondence. Staff Report Wise reported on work started or completed during May including painting shower stalls and installing new shower mats- showerhouse- Otter Creek Park, trim tree limbs, place beach ropes, plant spruce trees, clean silt pond covers, fix road washouts, weed eat, mow Wolf Creek Trail, Plant trees in wetland mitigation area- Hansen Addition/**Seasonal Staff** Etzel reported that seasonal staff was all on board. The seasonal staff includes two Conservation Aides and two Seasonal Park Rangers./ **Environmental Education** During May staff participated in the following environmental education activities 7May- Fifth Grade Field Day at Otter Creek Park, 15May- Hosted North Tama 1st graders at Nature Center and guided nature hike, Ag Safety Day at South Tama Elementary- Seasonal Ranger Sandy Bergmann presented session on Water Safety./**Youth Fishing Seminar-** The Board was reminded that on June 13 the Annual Youth Fishing Seminar will be held at Otter Creek Lake and Park./**Phase 1-display component** Etzel reported that progress continues on the diorama project. /**Memorial Day Weekend Report** A good crowd of campers were in the park over Memorial Day weekend however many vacated early due to the wet weather./**Pheasants Forever- Tama County Chapter** Word has been received that the Tama County PF Chapter has merged with the Marshall County PF Chapter. The next banquet will be held on October 19./**Ike's Tract Update** The Planning Committee met on May 2 to discuss the facility. The committee reviewed the successes since August at the facility. Projects the committee would like to see pursued during 2013 are an expanded parking lot and covered shooting stations at 100 yards. On May 11 the latest Sign Up meeting for the facility was held at the Tama County Nature Center. Another fifteen shooters became authorized to use the facility. This brings the total number of authorized shooters to 130.

Flooding Damage during May Etzel reported that facilities impacted by recent flooding in the county included: Wolf Creek Trail, Otter Creek Lake and Park, and boat landings and properties along the Iowa River. Etzel reported that significant damage has been inflicted upon the Wolf Creek Trail near Gladbrook. While the damage may not be to the extent of the 2008 flood it is still significant with damage estimates anticipated to exceed



\$100,000. Damage at Otter Creek Lake and Park include increased silt loads into silt ponds and the lake, water topping the main dam of the north silt pond causing erosion alongside the main culvert entering the lake. Damage to facilities along the Iowa River have not been assessed due to the river still being at flood stage. It is estimated that damage to all Tama County Conservation Board facilities may surpass \$150,000.

2013 Construction Projects The Board discussed projects targeted for completion during 2013. They included: Nature Center- repair to the exterior, correction of water problems, Park Roads- a chip seal to roads at Otter Creek Lake and Park, replace dilapidated picnic pads at beach area, Picnic point- handicap parking and access to picnic pad, Hansen Addition- remove interior fences, plant trees and shrubs in mitigation site- Parcel C- Hansen Addition. Also discussed was repair to the Otter Creek Lake and Park Camper's Hill restroom, removal of interior fencing and grader work leveling the hiking/fire break paths on the Hansen Addition. Work anticipated for the Reinig Wildlife Refuge and Nature Study Area includes a grass waterway in the crop field, removal of interior fences and establishing a small wetland.

Staffing Needs The Board discussed needs of the program for environmental education and maintenance/park ranger work. The Board discussed a combined position such as a Park Ranger/Naturalist or a Conservation Technician/Naturalist. Etzel will begin to draft some job descriptions for the Board to consider.

There is a concern with the aging of the very small staff that it is getting harder to meet maintenance goals of the Board as well as meeting the promise to provide quality environmental education to county residents through the Tama County Nature Center.

General Discussion Atchison would like to donate a memorial bench in memory of Bob Atchison. Bob was an avid camper and angler at the lake. He would like to have the bench placed in south loop camp area north of the fishing dock. The Board was agreeable to the donation and thought it would be a nice addition to the park.

After discussion of assorted conservation topics it was moved by Wrage, seconded Atchison to adjourn, carried. Adjourned 8:30 p.m..



Chapter 350, Code of Iowa, states the County Conservation Board is "to promote and preserve the health and general welfare of the people, to encourage the orderly development and conservation of natural resources"

CHAIR

VICE-CHAIR