#### 1. Call to Order

Julie Solinski called the regular meeting of the Des Moines County Conservation Board to order at 5:30 p.m. at the Des Moines County Conservation Administration Building.

Those Members Present: Cathy Ziglar, Ron Helling, Julie Solinski, Matthew Haas

Those Members Absent: James Garnjobst

Others Present: Director Lee, Administrative Assistant Breuer, Supervisor McCampbell

## 2. Additions and Deletions to Agenda:

#1 a. Motion by Matthew Haas, seconded by Ron Helling to add 12f, meeting times and move it to item 3, and move 12d to item 4.

Motion passed unanimously by those members present.

## 3. Delegations/Public Input:

a. None

## 4. Board Member Agreement & Oath of Office:

a. Ron Helling read the Oath of Office for the record and signed the Board Member Agreement.

#### 5. Election of Officers:

a. The 2023 Officers were approved:

Chairman - Matthew Haas

Vice Chair - Cathy Ziglar

Secretary / Treasurer - James Garnjobst

Member - Julie Solinski

Member - Ron Helling

## 6. Committee Appointments:

a. The 2023 Committee Appointments:

Foundation - James Garnjobst

Observatory - Ron Helling

Legislative - Cathy Ziglar

Water Quality - Julie Solinski

# 7. Approval of Minutes for December 04, 2022:

#2 a. Motion by Cathy Ziglar, seconded by Julie Solinski to approve the minutes for December 04, 2022.

Motion passed unanimously by those members present.

#### 8. Approval of Claims for December 2022:

#3 a. Motion by Julie Solinski, seconded by Cathy Ziglar to approve the claims for December 2022.

Motion passed unanimously by those members present.

## 9. Committee Reports:

- a. Shooting Range: No report.
- b. Observatory: No report.
- c. Legislative: No Report.
- d. Water Quality: Under project updates.

#### 10. Project Updates:

The new website roll out was rough, but we are working through it. The Watershed Coordinator position was posted and closes later this month. The trees that need removed at Big Hollow for the new sediment ponds and campground expansion are marked for removal. Chris talked with the landowner between Leopold and Starr's cave about that portion of the Flint River Trail. They are not interested in having a trail cross their property. Chris will meet with regional planning about options. We are going to discontinue the quarterly newsletter and begin doing weekly blogs instead.

#### 11. Old Business:

### a. Campsites for Big Holloween:

Campsite options for Big Holloween were discussed and will be decided on soon.

#### 12. New Business:

#5

#7

## a. Approve Farm Lease Rates for Linder & Leopold Recreation Areas:

#4 Motion by Cathy Ziglar, seconded by Ron Helling to approve the new rates.

Motion passed unanimously by those members present.

## b. Approve Bylaws for 2023:

Motion by Cathy Ziglar, seconded by Ron Helling to approve the bylaws. Motion passed unanimously by those members present.

## c. Strategic Plan Review:

#6 Motion by Cathy Ziglar, seconded by Ron Helling to approve the strategic plan.

Motion passed unanimously by those members present.

## d. FY24 Budget Approval:

Motion by Cathy Ziglar, seconded by Ron Helling to approve the FY24 budget that will be presented to the Board of Supervisors. The budget will be presented to the Supervisors at a budget hearing on January 5, 2023. Motion passed unanimously by those members present.

## e. Director Review:

The board will meet prior to the next meeting on February 1 to discuss the annual director review.

#### f. DMCC Board Monthly Meeting Times:

Discussed the current meeting times and other options to accommodate new members. This will be discussed again at the February meeting.

# 13. Informational Items/Correspondence:

# 14. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

Next meeting will be held at the Des Moines County Administration Office at 13700 Washington Road in West Burlington, IA. Meeting will be held at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday February 01, 2023. The public is welcome.

Matthew Haas, Chair

James Garnjobst, Secretary/Treasurer