

1. Call to Order

Cathy Ziglar called the regular meeting of the Des Moines County Conservation Board to order at 5:31 p.m. on the third floor of Starr's Cave Nature Center.

Those Members Present: Cathy Ziglar, James Garnjobst, Dan Hockett, Ron Helling and Julie Solinski.

Those Members Absent: None.

Others Present: Director Lee, Administrative Assistant Breuer, two members of the public.

2. Additions and Deletions to Agenda:

a. None.

3. Delegations/Public Input:

a. None.

4. Consent Agenda: Approval of Minutes from April 03, 2024 and April 2024 Claims:

#16 a. Motion by James Garnjobst, seconded by Julie Solinski to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion passed unanimously by those members present.

5. Acceptance of Donations:

a, **Valerie Hetrick** - \$100 in memory of Randy Drish for SCNC.

b. **Jacqueline Paulus** - \$100 in memory of Randy Drish for SCNC.

6. Committee Reports:

a. **Foundation:** Banquet was held on April 4. Attendance was good for the first year. It netted about \$6,000.

b. **Observatory:** The Observatory held viewing for the Eclipse. There was going to be a viewing for campers in the campground, but had to be canceled due to weather.

c. **Legislative:** Session has ended. REAP was again funded at 12 million. The changes to Forest Reserve was not acted on and there were changes to the State ATV/UTV rules that will not affect us.

d. **Water Quality:** Chris Jones will be at the library on May 11. The Watershed Coordinator job posting is active and closes this Friday.

7. Project Updates:

Rain is slowing down the Big Hollow project. Electrical is done, we are down to building roads. The contractor should be starting concrete any day.

8. Old Business:

a. None

9. New Business:

#17 a. Approve Creation of the CORES Position:

Motion by Julie Solinski, seconded by James Garnjobst to approve the CORES Position. Motion passed unanimously by those members present.

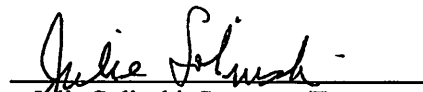
- #18 b. **Discuss Law Enforcement Radio Change.**
Motion by James Garnjobst, seconded by Ron Helling to discuss funding and / or purchasing two new radios with the Board of Supervisors and Sheriff's Office.
Motion passed unanimously by those members present.

9. **Informational Items/Correspondence:**
a. **Budget Amendment.**

10. **Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 6:12 p.m.**
Next meeting will be held on the third floor of Starr's Cave Nature Center, located at 11627 Starr's Cave Road in Burlington, IA. Meeting will be held at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday June 05, 2024.
The public is welcome.



Cathy Ziglar, Chair



Julie Solinski, Secretary/Treasurer