

- 1. Call to Order**
Cathy Ziglar called the regular meeting of the Des Moines County Conservation Board to order at 5:30 p.m. on the third floor of Starr's Cave Nature Center.
Those Members Present: Cathy Ziglar, Ron Helling, Julie Solinski, Dan Hockett and Kathy Wunderlich.
Those Members Absent: None
Others Present: Director Lee, Administrative Assistant Breuer, Tom Brockett, BH watershed Coordinator and Terry Davis, incoming 2025 Board Member, Shane McCampbell via Zoom.
- 2. Additions / deletions to agenda:**
 - a. None
- 3. Delegations/Public Input:**
 - a. None
- 4. Approval of Consent Agenda:**
 - #29 a.** Motion by Kathy Wunderlich, seconded by Ron Helling to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion passed unanimously by those members present.
- 5. Acceptance of Donations**
 - a. Paul & Cathy Ziglar - \$100.00 for James Garnjobst Memorial.
 - b. David & Linda Riley - \$50.00 - for James Garnjobst Memorial.
 - c. Murray Foundation - \$25,000.00 for ADA improvements around Starr's Cave Nature Center.
 - d. Walmart - \$78.11 worth of refreshments for Turkey Trot event.
- 6. Committee Reports:**
 - a. **Foundation:** Held a meeting today and expressed willingness to hold Alliant endowment.
 - b. **Observatory:** No Report.
 - c. **Legislative:** No Report.
 - d. **Water Quality:** Engineering on the expansion of the Big Hollow wetlands has begun. A cover crop field day was held.
- 7. Project Updates:**

Bryce, one of our Permanent Part-time Techs is leaving us for a full-time position at the jail. The January 5k will be held inside the Mall on the 25th. The LWCF Grant has been closed out and paid.
- 8. Old Business:**
 - a. **Alliant Conservation & Public Access Easements:**
Continued discussion on the easement.
- 9. New Business:**
 - #30 a. FY2026 Budget Request**
Motion by Ron Helling, seconded by Julie Solinski to approve the FY2026 Budget Request. Motion passed unanimously by those members present.

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Informational Items/Correspondence:

- a. Due to the New Year's Holiday, the January meeting has been moved to the 8th.
- b. There is a Work Session with the Supervisors at 11 a.m. December 3 to discuss the Alliant Easement.
- c. Presentation to Cathy Ziglar for her Years of Service.


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Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 6:19 p.m.

Next regular meeting will be held at Starr's Cave Nature Center, 11627 Starr's Cave Rd. Burlington, IA.

Meeting will be held at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday January 8, 2024.

The public is welcome.


Chair

 1-8-25
Secretary/Treasurer