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5718 20th Avenue Drive, Vinton, IA 52349

Minutes

Benton County Conservation Board Meeting

Monday, February 10, 2025 at 5:30pm

Benton County Nature Center, 5718 20th Ave Drive, Vinton, IA

Board Members Present: Dan Hill, Becky VanWey, Mike LaGrange (virtually), Randy Scheel, Sam Hunter and Supervisor Liaison Seeman

Staff Present: Shelby Williams, Layla Lynch, Aaron Askelson

- 1. Call to Order at 5:31pm by Becky VanWey.
- 2. Guests or public participation None.
- 3. Discuss/Action Consent Agenda Motion to approve by Scheel, seconded by Hill. All aye, motion passed.
 - a. Approve minutes from last regular meeting
 - b. Approve Conservation and IRM expenditures and revenues
 - c. Receive and file activity report
 - d. Tabled Items
 - i. City of Atkins Atkins Roundhouse: Lease
 - ii. One-acre properties
 - iii. VFW Post/Animal Shelter
 - iv. Conservation Easements
- 4. Business
 - a. Discuss/Action BCCB Rules and Regulations Motion to approve with correction by Hill, seconded by Scheel. All aye, motion passed.
 - b. Discuss/Action County Donations Williams will work on creating a policy for donation requests per the Board's request.
 - c. Discuss/Action Volunteer Award No action.
 - d. Discuss/Action Budget FY26 Motion to approve by LaGrange, seconded by Hunter. All aye, motion passed.
 - i. Conservation
 - ii. IRM/Weed
- 5. Board Member/Staff Reports
 - a. IRM Update
 - b. Education Update
 - c. Law Enforcement Update
 - d. Property Update
 - e. Director Update
- 6. Other discussion None.
- 7. Set next regular meeting on March 10, 2025 at 5:30pm, at the Hannen Lake Park Main Shop (1949 Benton/IA Rd, Blairstown, IA).
- 8. Adjourn Scheel moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:22pm, Hill seconded. All aye, motion passed.

Minutes Submitted by: Layla Lynch