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Minutes of the Floyd County Conservation Board, July 5, 2016

The meeting was called to order by President Dirk Uetz at 5:00 pm at the Fossil Prairie Center. Present were Board members, Dirk, new member Beverly Fisher, Joel Cannon, and Ann Schneckloth. Also present were Supervisor Roy Schwickerath, Director Adam Sears, Resident Ranger Tyler Walters, Natural Resource Manager Tyron Steere, and Intern Nate Mead. Joel made a motion to accept the consent agenda, and Beverly seconded. It passed. Beverly made a motion to accept the meeting agenda, and Joel seconded. It was accepted.

Roy gave a brief Supervisor statement welcoming Beverly to our Board. Ann said that the Fossil Prairie Foundation did not have a quorum again, so there was no report.

Adam gave the Directors Report. Mitas has given a donation of tires to the county for our John Deere 5300 tractor. Heidi has done 3 Day Camps for the County, one at Tosanak and 2 at the Fossil Prairie Park. The Court House of Floyd County has a new map on display with all 31 County Areas shown, and addresses. The new rest rooms at Staudt Hollow have made it more of an attraction for people using the TRA. The TRA Bank Stabilization project is done and has been used. The new trees at Ackley Creek and TRA have not needed watering so far this summer, but the staff will still have to care for them. There is some regrowth at Juniper Hill from the recent burn there, and it will be monitored. The interior painting at the Red Tail shelter at TRA is completed, and the Kingfisher and Leopold Lodge are now green and nearly completed. The staff is working on new gravel at Wentlands Woods, Rotary Park, and Gil White areas. The kiln area of the FP Park will be seasonably open, and the cement slab there can be the parking area.

New Business: Nominations were discussed for the election of officers. Joel nominated Ann for secretary, and Beverly seconded. Ann was elected secretary. Beverly nominated Joel for Vice President, and Ann seconded. Joel was elected Vice President. Joel nominated Dirk for President, and Beverly seconded. Dirk was elected President of the Board.

The Floyd County Handbook has a few changes made that the Board needs to approve. The first change referred to emergency closures of the Court House. Another section includes part-time employees, and the other section refers to dependents and children. Joel made a motion to accept the Handbook changes and Beverly seconded. The Board approved the changes and the staff can sign it.

More was said about the TRA Bank stabilization project. There will be a little more rock put around the area for turn arounds. It is 350 feet of open area now, so it is much easier to use. The DNR will reimburse the County for 90% of the cost.

The minutes from the special meeting of June 28, were handed out. The purpose of that meeting was to determine how the new cabins at TRA will be put together. So far the committee has 3 members, Tyler Walters, Jay Jung, and Joel Cannon. Two more members are needed from the Fossil Prairie Foundation. This committee will determine the location, funding, and time frame for cabins at TRA. At the current time, there are 7 cabins with electricity, and 1 fully modern one. There will be may of the cabins in use this weekend.

The next meeting of the FCCB will be August 2 at 5:00 pm at the Fossil Prairie Center.

Ann Schneckloth, Secretary