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Minutes of the Floyd County Conservation Board meeting January 3, 2017

The meeting was called to order by President Dirk Uetz at 5:01 pm. Present were Board members Jay Jung, Joel Cannon, Ann Schneckloth, and Dirk. Others attending were Supervisor Doug Kamm, Director Adam Sears, Resident Ranger Tyler Walker, and Natural Resource Manager Tyron Steere. Jay made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Joel seconded and it was approved. Ann made a motion to accept the Meeting Agenda, and Joel seconded. It was approved.

Doug gave the Supervisors report. The new Supervisor has been sworn in. There have been Committee assignments made. Next week they will take on the Budget.

Ann said there was no report from the Fossil Prairie Foundation because they have not had a meeting. Adam said they are planning a meeting for the 23rd.

Joel gave the Cabin Committee report. They have been in contact with the staff at Scott County, who has put up cabins using the contractor that the committee has been talking to. They have passed along some advice for our Floyd County committee. A new modular contractor may talk to the group.

Adam gave the Directors report. There is new paint in the downstairs and upstairs restrooms of the Fossil Prairie Center. The Laudner Wildlife Area has 10 acres that have been seeded over the snow for the spring growth. The Staff has been out in many of the properties brush cutting. Timber stand Improvement has been done at Tosanak Recreation Area, and others and the boxelder thicket at Knapp II has been cut. TRA has been given a grant for Pollinator Habitat for 4 acres. It will be planted in early spring. Then the spring Open House will have the Pollinator Theme with program, activities, milkweed plugs and tree seedlings to hand out. It will coincide with the Tosanak 5k. Some of the burn piles have been burned, and others will be burned as they are ready. The snowmobile and groomer are waiting for snow and cross country trail making. The Floyd County Foundation has given us a grant with enough money to buy the racks for XC skis. Next year we may be able to get the skis. Nate Mead was hired during the semester break and they hope to get the new floor done in the Darling Cabin at TRA before he goes back to school. There will be articles in the Charles City Press on the first Thursday of every month. The second one will be in this Thursdays Press.

Old Business: Adam handed out a paper with the list of line items in the 2017 Budget that will need to be increased by \$1,000. The list included Cover Aggregate and Sand, Grounds maintenance supplies, Motor vehicle parts, Electric power, Motor Vehicle, and Landscaping. Adam said he will mail the budget plan to the Board Members. The Capital expenditure will remain the same at \$35,000 in buildings, Flood and Erosion Control \$10,000, and Permanents Landscaping \$20,000. REAP \$20,000. Adam will meet with Gloria Carr, the Auditor, and then do a print out.

Old Business: Joel made a motion to have Adam officially sign the grant for the Midway Bridge Access. The cost is expected to be \$13,300, with \$9,900 paid through the grant, and \$3,400 paid by the County. It is to be complete by December 31, 2018.

Our next meeting will be February 7, 2017. Joel made a motion to adjourn and Jay seconded. Meeting ended at 5:26 pm. Dirk brought refreshments.

Ann Schneckloth, Secretary

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