



CLAYTON COUNTY CONSERVATION

Promote the health and general welfare of the people; to model and encourage preservation, conservation, education and recreation through responsible use and appreciation of our natural resources and cultural heritage.

June 11, 2024
BOARD MEETING
2pm Osborne

Board Chair Daryl Landsgard called the meeting to order at 2:10 pm. Members present included Larry Stone, Dave Asche, and Natasha Hegmann. Director Jenna Pollock, Naturalist & Resource Manager Kenny Slocum, and Office Manager Molly Scherf were also present.

Stone made a motion to approve the agenda with the three additions in new business, seconded by Hegmann. All voted in favor. Motion passed.

Stone made a motion to approve the April 2024 minutes, seconded by Hegmann. All voted in favor. Motion passed.

Stone made a motion to approve the May 2024 minutes, seconded by Asche. All voted in favor. Motion passed.

Hegmann made a motion to pay the claims and Stone seconded. All voted in favor. Motion passed.

The board reviewed the monthly report provided by the Auditor's Office.

Old Business

1. Approve Upper Mississippi Gaming Corporation Grant Full Application:

Pollock reported a pre-application was approved with the ask of \$100,000 for trails and has now been moved over to the full application.

Hegmann made a motion to approve completing the full grant application for the Pony Hollow Trail, Asche seconded. All voted in favor. Motion passed.

2. Update on tree planting in flood plain at Osborne:

Dave Asche came up with a tree planting plan (available upon request) for the area using species Slocum had requested. The plan calls for around 3,300 trees and shrubs to cover the 4-acre area along the Volga River (former buffalo pen). It also recommends weed control as well as tubing about 200 of the trees.

The board is in support of this project and Slocum will investigate funding options.

Hegmann made a motion to approve moving forward with this plan, seconded by Stone. All voted in favor. Motion passed.

New Business

1. Discuss Osborne Campground Electrical Options:

Chris Complete Construction overestimated the electrical portion of the campground due to the Huffcutt shower house coming with fixtures already installed. Chris then recommended a couple other options that could be done in the campground such as running 100 amp electrical to the tent area now instead of in a future phase. This would

create minimal damage doing now vs after grass has been established. It would be an additional expense of \$3,589.24 but we could use the funds still available in the general fund to cover this. Pollock confirmed with the construction engineer that this is a good move.

Stone made a motion to approve the Change Order having Chris Complete Construction install the 100 amp to the tent site, seconded by Hegmann. All voted in favor. Motion passed.

2. Approve Aureon Grant Application and Authorize the Chair to Sign:

Slocum has completed the Aureon grant asking for funds to purchase 5 new bladder bags to be used for burn equipment.

Stone made a motion to approve the application and authorized Landsgard to sign, seconded by Hegmann. All voted in favor. Motion passed.

3. Approve State Rec Trail Grant Application:

TRRC approved having Mallory Hanson write the grant application for the Pony Hollow Trail on our behalf. Both Hanson and Pollock met with Scott Flagg (DOT) and he recommends applying for phase 1 of the trail.

Asche made a motion to approve signing of the resolution having TRRC apply for the State Rec Trail Grant, seconded by Hegmann. All voted in favor. Motion passed.

Roll Call: Hegmann, aye; Stone, aye; Asche, aye; Kregel, absent; Landsgard, aye

4. Discuss the Generator and LP Tank Options:

Pollock noted the generator for the Welcome Center building was installed by Kregel Electric last week. Mulgrew Oil was contacted about installing the LP line for the generator but they have some concerns about using the existing

5. Motor Mill Stable Windows – Close or Put in Windows:

Contractors have begun working on replacing the stable roof. The Motor Mill Foundation would like to either close in the gable windows or put in plexi-glass. The CCCB board is in favor of whatever the Foundation and contractor come up with.

Upcoming Programs/Events available at www.claytoncountyconservation.org

Director's Report/Updates/Communications

Welcome Center numbers included 711 individuals and 107 groups in May.

Env. Edu. Numbers for the past month included 141 presentations to 726 youth and 191 adults, 62.5 hours

Adjournment

Stone made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:15pm, seconded by Hegmann. All voted in favor. Motion passed.

Next meeting scheduled: July 9, 2024 Location TBD 2pm