

**REGULAR (VIRTUAL ZOOM) MEETING
JASPER COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD
Conservation Office, Armory Building
January 12 2021, 10:30 A.M.**

Board Members Present: Andy Stone, Carol Kramer, Robyn Friedman, and Doug Smith

Staff Present: Keri Van Zante, Katie Cantu, Ethan VanderPol, and Jade Read

ELECTION OF OFFICERS- ACTION 21-21. Motion by Friedman, second by Smith, that a unanimous ballot be cast for the officers of the Conservation Board. Motion carried unanimously.

Carol Kramer, Chairperson
Robyn Friedman, Vice Chairperson
Doug Smith, Secretary

With a quorum present, the business meeting was called to order by Chairperson Kramer at 10:30 am. Minutes of the November December 8, 2020 regular meeting were approved as written.

APPROVAL OF BILLS – ACTION 21-22. Motion by Friedman, second by Stone that the following bills be approved for payment from the conservation fund:

Alliant Energy	0001-22-6110-000-43142	\$253.05	
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Central IA Water Assoc	0001-22-6110-000-43244	\$48.42	
Central IA Water Assoc	0001-22-6110-000-43242	\$48.42	
Central IA Water Assoc	0001-22-6110-000-21249	\$23.12	
Central IA Water Assoc	0001-22-6110-000-43213	\$43.62	
Jasper County Engineer	0001-22-6110-000-25000	\$768.22	
MidAmerican Energy	0001-22-6110-000-43144	\$199.00	
	0001-22-6110-000-43144	\$31.08	
Alpha Media LLC	0001-22-6100-000-40000	\$200.00	
MartinMarietta Materials	0001-22-6110-000-49160	\$5,131.80	
Jasper County Engineer	0001-22-6110-000-49160	\$18,235.61	
MartinMarietta Materials	0001-22-6110-000-49160	\$1,215.82	
Teen Challenge Midlands	0001-22-6110-000-46200	\$1,400.00	
Forbes Office Solutions	0001-22-6100-000-26339	\$279.38	
Skunk River Sanitation	0001-22-6110-000-21944	\$45.00	
CXT Incorporated	0001-22-6110-000-42140	\$10,000.00	

	0027-22-0210-000-60000	\$8,200.00	
	0004-22-6110-000-44144	\$20,000.00	
Amerigas	0001-22-6110-000-43044	\$586.08	
	0001-22-6110-000-43044	\$440.98	
Huffaker Trucking	0001-22-6110-000-49160	\$132.64	
Carol Kramer	0001-22-6100-000-41341	\$4.60	
Chris Herbold	0001-22-6100-000-41341	\$46.00	
Robyn Friedman	0001-22-6100-000-41341	\$4.60	
Andy Stone	0001-22-6100-000-41341	\$29.90	
Keri Van Zante	0001-22-6100-000-41200	\$157.85	
Forbes Office Solutions	0001-22-6100-000-63600	\$35.00	
NAPA	0001-22-6110-000-24100	\$73.92	C
Menards	0001-22-6110-000-46200	\$189.33	C
Theisens	0001-22-6110-000-24100	\$49.65	C
Amazon	0001-22-6100-000-26000	\$11.01	C
Amazon	0001-22-6100-000-26000	\$46.99	C
Spahn & Rose	0001-22-6110-000-21942	\$12.76	C
P&P Small Engines	0001-22-6110-000-44300	\$54.94	C
Smokey Lake Maple Com	0027-22-0210-000-60000	\$2,290.00	C
Walmart	0001-22-6100-000-26000	\$5.96	C
Theisens	0001-22-6110-000-44000	\$14.97	C
Theisens	0001-22-6100-000-29400	\$29.98	C
	0001-22-6110-000-21942	\$10.48	C
	0001-22-6110-000-25400	\$28.97	C
True Value	0001-22-6110-000-21942	\$89.98	C
Prairie Ag Supply	0001-22-6110-000-24100	\$64.80	C
My County Parks	0001-22-6100-000-48039	\$40.00	C
Diamond Vogel	0001-22-6110-000-46200	\$77.86	C
Theisens	0001-22-6110-000-44000	\$40.70	C
Theisens	0001-22-6110-000-44000	\$35.98	C
Greg Young Auto	0001-22-6110-000-63100	\$3,793.15	C
Menards	0001-22-6110-000-21946	\$357.22	C
Kruseman Implement	0001-22-6110-000-44000	\$161.64	C
Premier RK Dixon	0001-22-6100-000-40200	\$50.59	C
Menards	0001-22-6110-000-44146	\$608.94	C
CDW	0001-22-6100-000-26000	\$176.29	C
Key Cooperative	0001-22-6110-000-43042	\$420.13	C
Facebook	0001-22-6100-000-40000	\$29.23	C
Theisens	0001-22-6110-000-29000	\$39.64	C
NAPA	0001-22-6110-000-44000	\$290.40	C
NAPA	0001-22-6110-000-44000	\$54.64	C

O'Reilly	0001-22-6110-000-24100	\$100.27	C
Premier RK Dixon	0001-22-6100-000-40200	\$44.37	C
P&P Small Engines	0001-22-6110-000-24100	\$51.99	C
Theisens	0001-22-6110-000-24100	\$36.76	C
Theisens	0001-22-6110-000-21944	\$38.93	C
Murphy Tractor & Equip	0001-22-6110-000-24100	\$324.07	C
Theisens	0001-22-6110-000-21946	\$13.47	C
Sherwin Williams	0001-22-6110-000-46200	\$1,105.00	C
		\$78,575.62	

Motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Reports were presented by Cantu, Vander Pol, and Read.

APPROVAL OF 2021-2022 BUDGET- ACTION 21-23. Van Zante presented the 2021-2022 budget for approval by board members. Budget line items were reviewed for clarification. The Jasper County Board of Supervisors asked all departments to plan for an insurance cost increase and salary line items were increased by 3.0%. Motion by Stone, second by Friedman, to approve the budget as written. Motion carried unanimously.

Equipment Use. Read and Cantu discussed the possibility of starting to rent out snowshoes to the public. Board members agreed to try this and asked staff to come up with a rental agreement and begin renting immediately.

Public and School Programs. Read and Cantu asked for guidance related to holding school programs. Freidman suggested asking from input form the Public and School Programs. Cantu requested guidance about returning to schools to do programs as it seems all schools have differing rules. Friedman suggested sending schools a survey to find out needs. Cantu will create a survey and gather input from schools and the superintendents.

Uhlenhopp Cabin Plan. Vander Pol presented an update on the Uhlenhopp property and said he would like to get the cabin ready to open at the same time as the park. Board members asked for the cabin to be inspected by the Zoning Department so that we would know what improvements need to be made, if any, for public use and accessibility. Van Zante will arrange for a meeting with Zoning and will report back. After the answer is known, Vander Pol will put together a needs list with costs for board approval.

Grants. A Prairie Meadows grant will be written for the yurt project at Ashton as soon as the grant cycle opens up.

Camping and Cabin Planning Review. Nothing identified.

Nature Center. Caring for Conservation Concert is scheduled for August 28, 2021 at Ashton Park.

Other. Van Zante discussed organizing a memorial for Jerry Ratliff's parents, both who passed away in the past month. Van Zante will work with Ratliff and his family to gather ideas for this project.

Board Member Concerns. Nothing identified.

ADJOURNMENT- ACTION 21-24. With no further business appearing, motion by Friedman second by Smith that the meeting adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT - 12:16 p.m.

Doug Smith, Secretary