

REGULAR MEETING
JASPER COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD
Conservation Office, Armory Building
October 14, 2021, 3:00 P.M.

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

Staff Present: Keri Van Zante, Greg Oldsen, Ethan Vander Pol, and Dennis Cooling

With a quorum present, the business meeting was called to order by Chairperson Kramer at 3:00 pm. Minutes of the September 14, 2021 regular meeting were approved as written.

APPROVAL OF BILLS – ACTION 22-11. 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	\$283.35
Alliant Energy	0001-22-6110-000-43143	\$89.09
Central IA Water Assoc	0001-22-6110-000-43244	\$75.03
Central IA Water Assoc	0001-22-6110-000-43242	\$79.10
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	\$4,393.63
MidAmerican Energy	0001-22-6110-000-43144	\$197.00
	0001-22-6110-000-43144	\$62.99
Skunk River Sanitation LLC	0001-22-6110-000-21944	\$45.00
Jerry Ratliff	0001-22-6100-000-41400	\$120.00
Katie Cantu	0001-22-6100-000-41400	\$120.00
Keri Van Zante	0001-22-6100-000-41400	\$120.00
Dennis Cooling	0001-22-6100-000-41400	\$120.00
Greg Oldsen	0001-22-6100-000-41400	\$120.00
Kent Dunsburgen	0001-22-6100-000-41400	\$120.00
Ethan Vander Pol	0001-22-6100-000-41400	\$120.00
Sara Paul	0001-22-6110-000-45400	\$525.00
Newton News	0001-22-6100-000-26000	\$132.00
Jade Read	0001-22-6100-000-41200	\$172.25
Krampe Welding & Fabric.	0027-22-0210-000-60000	\$925.00
Priority Sanitation	0001-22-6110-000-41046	\$360.00
Dodds Trash Hauling & Rec	0001-22-6110-000-44146	\$75.00
Forbes Office Solitions	0001-22-6100-000-26339	\$367.10
	0001-22-6100-000-26000	\$19.99

Huffaker Trucking	0001-22-6110-000-49160	\$997.36	
Martin Marietta Materials	0001-22-6110-000-49160	\$1,301.29	
	0001-22-6110-000-49160	\$1,354.82	
istock	0001-22-6110-000-21400	\$12.00	C
IACC	0001-22-6110-000-42200	\$55.00	C
Diamond Vogel	0001-22-6110-000-44143	\$151.47	C
Menards	0001-22-6110-000-21942	\$186.96	C
Hickenbottom Inc.	0001-22-6110-000-21900	\$139.16	C
Theisens	0001-22-6110-000-21944	\$10.99	C
Theisens	0001-22-6110-000-21944	\$46.71	C
Theisens	0001-22-6110-000-21942	\$30.63	C
Theisens	0001-22-6110-000-21942	\$36.25	C
Menards	0001-22-6110-000-49160	\$623.25	C
Theisens	0001-22-6100-000-26000	\$90.60	C
NAPA	00014-22-6110-00-25400	\$12.98	C
Van Wall Equipment	0001-22-6110-000-21944	\$23.95	C
Menards	0001-22-6110-000-44144	\$114.98	C
Farver True Value	0001-22-6100-000-26000	\$7.90	C
Menards	0001-22-6110-000-29000	\$249.00	C
	0001-22-6110-000-21944	\$75.51	C
Theisens	0001-22-6110-000-21943	\$55.98	C
Theisens	0001-22-6110-000-44300	\$119.99	C
Theisens	0001-22-6110-000-23200	\$25.60	C
Barney's	0001-22-6110-000-44000	\$20.00	C
Menards	0001-22-6110-000-49160	\$1,172.07	C
Amazon	0001-22-6110-000-21946	\$55.98	C
	0001-22-6100-000-29139	\$9.99	C
	0001-22-6100-000-26000	\$7.99	C
Amazon	0001-22-6110-000-21946	\$17.96	C
Amazon	0001-22-6110-000-25400	\$159.99	C
Amazon	0001-22-6110-000-25400	\$15.43	C
Menards	0001-22-6110-000-21944	\$67.80	C
Menards	0001-22-6110-000-21944	-\$22.72	C
Menards	0001-22-6100-000-29400	\$79.98	C
	0001-22-6110-000-21944	\$22.72	C
Facebook	0001-22-6100-000-40000	\$64.42	C
Smith Quality Rental	0001-22-6110-000-44142	\$450.00	C
Key Cooperative	0001-22-6110-000-43042	\$76.00	C
	0001-22-6110-000-43043	\$76.00	C
Premier Printing- RK Dixon	0001-22-6110-000-40200	\$50.69	C
Walmart	0001-22-6110-000-23200	\$10.95	C
Hickenbottom Inc.	0001-22-6110-000-44542	\$300.00	C
	0001-22-6110-000-44146	\$318.64	C

Farver True Value	0001-22-6110-000-44142	\$660.00	C
Hickenbottom Inc.	0001-22-6110-000-44142	\$2,000.28	C
Van Wall Equipment	0001-22-6110-000-44600	\$369.09	C
Hickenbottom Inc.	0001-22-6110-000-44142	\$155.34	C
Farver True Value	0001-22-6110-000-44142	-\$330.00	C
Theisens	0001-22-6110-000-44142	\$8.99	C
Menards	0001-22-6110-000-21944	\$34.96	C
Bently Ridge Tree Farm	0027-22-0210-000-60000	\$1,466.97	C
Pauls Ace Hardware	0001-22-6110-000-44142	\$11.16	C
Menards	0001-22-6110-000-44142	\$123.84	C
Menards	0001-22-6110-000-44142	\$139.80	C
Theisens	0001-22-6110-000-20142	\$18.32	C
Walmart	0001-22-6110-000-23200	\$30.70	C
Farver True Value	0001-22-6110-000-23200	\$35.98	C

Motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Staff reports were presented by Oldsen, Vander Pol and Cooling.

Uhlenhopp Fireplace. Vander Pol presented options for the wood burning fireplace at the Uhlenhopp Cabin- gas insert (\$5,000), electric insert (\$1200-\$1500), or leave it as is and semi-permanently close the door on the fireplace so that renters cannot start a fire in it. Board members decided to leave the fireplace as is for now and semi-permanently close the doors with screws.

Uhlenhopp Restroom Update. Van Zante ordered a restroom from CXT to match all of the others in our parks. The delivery time is 90-120 days and the total cost with delivery is \$20,548.

OFFICE MANAGER POSITION- ACTION 22-12. Van Zante prepared and sent a request to the Board of Supervisors to make Jade Read full time. Motion by Freidman, second by Stone to make an official Conservation Board recommendation to convert the office manager position from part time to full time pending supervisor budget approval. Motion carried unanimously.

Farm Lease Bids. Bid openings will be held at the November meeting for a 3-year contract each for the Nature Center Hayground and for the Lillian Johnston Farmground.

Wilcox Dedication. The Wilcox Dedication will be held at Ashton Park on Tuesday, November 2 at 1:00 pm. Van Zante will invite the newspaper as well as all staff and donors.

Grants. LAWCON grant for Mariposa Campground is moving forward, Oldsen received a Trees for Kids grant for a tree planting at Krumm Preserve, Trees forever grant has been expanded to do a tree planting at both Ira and Mingo Parks. The Prairie Meadows grant for the yurts at Ashton Park was not successful.

Camping and Cabin Planning Review. Mariposa campground will begin moving forward. Uhlenhopp cabin rental is starting to be booked most weekends.

Nature Center. A donation for \$25,000 was received for the Nature Center Project.

Other. Van Zante passed around a photo of a mockup for the new entry sign at Mariposa in honor of Dennis Black. Kramer is working with Blacks daughter on donations for that project. A falconry request was received asking for an individual to be able to hunt her falcon at county areas. More information was requested. Van Zante will follow up with questions are report back to board members. Elliott Uhlenhopp's former church members requested permission to donate trees to Uhlenhopp Arboretum. A fruit orchard was suggested by board members for their possible donation.

Board Member Concerns. Nothing reported.

ADJOURNMENT- ACTION 22-13. With no further business appearing, motion by Friedman second by Stone that the meeting adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT - 4:27 p.m.

Doug Smith, Secretary