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Joellen Schantz Vacant Josh Hardin Brad Quigley Elizabeth Kling

## **Louisa County Conservation Board - Regular Meeting Minutes**

The Louisa County Conservation Board met in regular session on Monday, November 6, 2023; 3:00 pm at Louisa County Complex.

**Board Present:** Josh Hardin, Elizabeth Kling, Joellen Schantz, and Brad Quigley. **Staff Present:** Lana Artz-McComb, Dani Boysen, Noah Robb, and Jacob Ewart.

Public Present: Jim Rudisill (press), Randy Schlutz, Sam Willson (via zoom)

Meeting Called to Order: at 3:00 pm by Hardin.

**Agenda Approval:** A motion was made by Brad Quigley to approve the agenda, second by Kling. Motion passed with all ayes.

**Audience Consideration:** Jim Rudisill asked for a list of all the applicants received for the Executive Director position and who all was interviewed. He was given the list.

Consent Agenda – Motion was made by Kling to approve the consent agenda including \$8,216.46 in general basic claims. A deposit of \$4,516.54 was made to Revenue. This included revenue from the online account. Meeting Minutes from October 9, 2023, were included. Second by Schantz. Motion passed with all ayes.

Interim Director update: Artz-McComb reported on the IAN conference that Sarah and she attended Nov.
 1-3. Both became certified in the Save Our Streams program. Spoke with Keith Summerville from Drake University about a potential site management project at Toolesboro.

Maintenance Update: Robb reported that they were working on winterizing the parks, marking trees at Virginia Grove that they want to save, and sealed the floor at the new maintenance shop. They are also working on fire breaks for prescribed fire. Robb mentioned that they would be willing to demo the overlook at Chinkapin Bluffs in preparation for a new overlook to be built. Portapots will be getting picked up at areas.

**Board Member Recruitment:** Boysen shared the current Board Member application and asked if there were any updates or changes that need to be made. No changes were needed.

**Begin budget discussions for FY25:** Boysen asked the board to begin thinking about budget items for FY25.

Discussions included replacing the 2001 dump truck, replacing old picnic tables at areas, shelter at Eden Park, and possible 2<sup>nd</sup> Naturalist Intern position.

Next Regular Meeting: Monday, December 4, 2023, at 3:00 pm at the Louisa County Complex and via Zoom.

**Next Special meeting:** Special meeting set for Thursday, November 9, 2023, at 5 pm at the Louisa County Complex to discuss candidates for the executive director position.

Adjournment: Brad Quigley motioned to adjourn. Second by Schantz. Motion passed unanimously.

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Chair – Hardin Vice-chair – Elizabeth Kling Secretary/Treasurer – Joellen Schantz

According to Article II, number 2.4 of the Louisa County Conservation Board Bylaws, "At all meetings that a full quorum is present, the board chair does not vote except to break a tie. In a three-member quorum, all persons present cast a vote."

<sup>\*</sup>Louisa County Bylaws regarding voting by the Chair/Acting Chair: