



**LINN COUNTY, IOWA
CONSERVATION BOARD**



**Amended
Monday, August 23, 2021
Wickiup Hill Learning Center
10260 Morris Hills Road, Toddville, IA 52341**

12:00 P.M. (Noon)

- **Call to order / roll call** - quorum / open meeting compliance
- **Public comment** - This is an opportunity for the public to address topics on today's agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

Items listed on the consent agenda are routine and will be considered by one motion without individual discussion unless the Board removes an item for separate consideration.

- C1. Approve minutes of the July 19, 2021 monthly meeting
- C2. Approve claims and expenditures - Claims list # 2022-2
- C3. Receive and place on file the July 2021 financial / budget report
- C4. Receive and place on file the July 2021 activity report
- C5. Acceptance of Gifts
 - 1. Gift #1-2022 - Monetary donation (\$500) from Center Point Historical Society for use at the Center Point Depot.
 - 2. Gift #2-2022 - Monetary donation (\$50) from Sandra Merritt for support of Wickiup Hill Learning Center.
- C6. Authorize staff to submit a Trees Forever Green Initiative Grant for tree planting.
- C7. Authorize staff to submit a Derecho Community Forestry Grant Program for tree planting.
- C8. Capital Improvement Program updates

REGULAR AGENDA - AMENDED

- R1. Approve consent agenda. (Conservation Board)
- R2. Public hearing regarding the proposed plans, specifications, form of contract and estimated cost for the Plains campground improvements at Pinicon Ridge Park, Project #13-20. (Burke)
- R3. Discuss and decide on Resolution #2021-18, approval of the plans and specifications, form of contract and estimated construction costs for the Plains campground improvements at Pinicon Ridge Park, Project #13-20. (Burke)
- R4. Discuss and decide on bids received for the Wanatee Park tributary stabilization project, Project #26-19F. (Burke)
- R5. Discuss and decide regarding bids received for the Cedar Valley Nature Trail, Hoover section repairs, Project #2-21. (Burke)
- R6. Discuss and decide regarding approving a contract with YTT Engineers for planning and design work on the Cedar Valley Nature Trail from Urbana to the Benton/Buchanan County line and authorizing the Director to sign the agreement. (Burke)
- R7. Discuss and decide regarding approving an agreement with the city of Urbana for connections from a housing development to the Cedar Valley Nature Trail and authorizing the Board President to sign the agreement. (Gibbins)

- R8. Discuss and decide regarding a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with Silos and Smokestacks National Heritage Area and Wickiup Hill Learning Area and authorize the Director to sign the MOU. (Goemaat)
- R9. Discuss and decide regarding approving an agreement for funding from the Federal Land and Water Conservation Fund program and authorizing the Director to sign the agreement. (Burke)
- R10. Discuss and decide regarding approving a contract with Anderson Bogert Engineers for route planning and preliminary design for the Wapsi Bluff Trail and authorize the Director to sign the contract. (Goemaat)
- R11. Discuss and decide regarding approving road seal coat repairs at Morgan Creek and Wanatee Parks and authorize the Executive Director to sign the contract with LL Pelling.
- R12. Board member / staff reports - Board members and staff may report and/or discuss meetings or activities in which they have been involved. (Conservation Board & staff)
1. Ryan Schlader - Community Outreach and Marketing.
 2. Updates:
 - a. Conservation Corps work program to assist with derecho-damaged forest restoration. (Gibbins)
 - b. Covid changes due to Delta variant. (Goemaat)
- R13. Public comment - This is an opportunity for the public to address the Board on any subject pertaining to Conservation Board business. **Note: There will be no Board discussion, decisions, and/or other board action related to these matters at this time.**
- R14. Closed Session - The Conservation Board will go into closed session to discuss the acquisition of particular real estate in accordance with Section 21.5 (1)(j) of the Iowa Code.
- R15. Adjournment

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

1. ICCS Annual Conference - September 15 - 17 - Ames
2. NRPA Congress for Parks -- September 21 - 23 - Nashville, TN