

## OSCEOLA COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD MINUTES

August 10, 2021

The Osceola County Conservation Board met pursuant to the law in the Classroom at Willow Creek County Park with the following members present: John Corbett, Jason Otto, John Schmidt, and Zach Marco.

Absent: Ann Byers

Staff present: Nick Schmalen, Director

Visitors: Jerry Helmers, Supervisor's Liaison

The meeting was opened at 7:05 P.M. by John Schmidt, Chairperson.

A motion was made by Zach Marco, seconded by Jason Otto, to approve the agenda. All voted "AYE," motion carried.

A motion was made by John Corbett, seconded by Zach Marco, to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. All voted "AYE," motion carried.

A motion was made by Jason Otto, seconded by John Corbett, to pay the attached claims. All voted "AYE," motion carried.

An update was given on the status of the potential expansion of Willow Creek County Park.

The Ocheyedan Pits County Recreation Area was discussed. Items of discussion included the potential for a floating dock on the east side of the pit, updating the electrical in the shelterhouse and to the aerator, and the purchase of a new aerator. A motion was made by John Corbett, seconded by Zach Marco, to purchase a new aerating system for the pit.

The seeding plan for the Loof Wildlife Management Area South Quarter was discussed. A motion was made by John Corbett, seconded by Zach Marco, to proceed with phase 1 of the Conservation Board Plan, and plant the area for the shelterbelt, as well as the two ag fields. The seed will be purchased through Shooting Star Native Seeds, the same supplier as the two seedings on the North 80. All voted "AYE," motion carried.

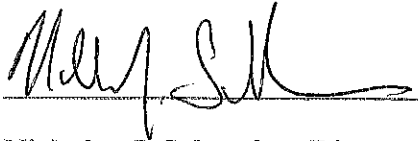
The Conservation Board discussed what it could do to diversify some of the services that it offers.

A motion was made by Jason Otto, seconded by Zach Marco, to terminate the farm leases on the South Quarter of the Loof Property. All voted "AYE," motion carried.

The Board discussed some possible options to replace the old dock at Iowa Lake.

Director Nicholas Schmalen submitted the monthly schedule.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Zach Marco, seconded by John Corbett, to adjourn at 8:43 P.M. All voted "AYE," motion carried.



Nicholas J. Schmalen, Director

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John Schmidt, Chairperson