

## **Black Hawk County Conservation Board Minutes**

The Black Hawk County Conservation Board met on Thursday, March 24, 2022, at 1346 West Airline Highway, Waterloo, IA. The work session was called to order by Jon McNamee, Chair, at 2:00 PM.

Roll call members present: Jenny Murphy, Adam Sacquitne, Jon McNamee & Terri Rogers.

No decisions were made or action was taken at this work session. All the agenda items were discussion only.

### **Staff Present:**

Nikki Koelling, Office Manager

Karl Kozak, North Unit Ranger

Al Finke, South Unit Ranger

Kyle Bauch, Wildlife Conservationist I

Amy Davison, Nature Center Manager

Mike Hendrickson, Executive Director

Cherrie Northrup, Planning Administrator

Jim Weimer, Wildlife Conservationist II

Katie Klus, Naturalist III

### **AGENDA**

Motion by Murphy, seconded by Rogers to approve the agenda. Motion Carried.

### **VISITORS**

Mike Treinen, Assistant County Attorney

Roger White

### **VISITOR(S) CONCERNS:**

None.

### **AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN PROJECTS**

The Executive Director updated the board on the progress of the following ARP projects:

#### **Phase 1 projects:**

Hickory Hills lagoon replacement

McFarlane Park septic system replacement

Cedar Valley Nature Trail engineering

#### **Phase 2 projects:**

Black Hawk Park shower building renovation – engineering

Siggelkow Park – prefabricated concrete shower facility

HVAC system rezoning at Administrative Office

ADA playgrounds

Mini-bus for environmental education

CVNT final design & bidding services

#### **Potential Phase 3 projects:**

CVNT construction

Black Hawk Park shower building renovation construction

Equipment

### **EXHIBITS**

Staff updated the board on the development of new exhibits at Hartman Reserve that will include virtual/interactive displays. Staff also discussed the history of Native American activity in the Hartman Reserve area.

**FUNDRAISERS**

Conservation fundraiser discussion centered around the success and future goals of our four main fundraisers: Under the Harvest Moon, Maple Syrup Festival, Holiday Light Show, and Woodland Wonderland.

**CONSERVATION ANNIVERSARY EVENT**

Black Hawk County Conservation will be 70 years old in 2026. Staff will begin developing an event to recognize 70 years of County Conservation in Black Hawk County.

**WHERE WE ARE GOING**

Black Hawk County Conservation has a full plate of projects, ideas, and goals for the next several years. Outdoor recreation and environmental education are constantly evolving.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Sacquitne to adjourn. Motion Carried.

Adjourned 4:28 PM.

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OFFICE MANAGER

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