

PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLK COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

The Polk County Conservation Board met in regular session on Wednesday, November 4, 2015. The meeting was called to order at 5:33 p.m.

#15-1101 Roll Call

Members Present: Northway, Levis, Smith, Johnson
Members Absent: Cataldo

#15-1102 Public Comments

The following appeared before the Board on the proposed Encroachment Policy:

John Gonner, 13197 NW Sheldahl Drive, Polk City.
Steven Lee, 4637 NW 118th Avenue, Polk City
Duane Harris, 15820 NW 58th St., Polk City
Brad Moeckley, 3073 NE 126th Avenue
Chris Gruenhagen, 5400 University Avenue, WDM, (present on behalf of Polk County Farm Bureau)
Carol Miller, 12023 NE 22nd Street, Ankeny, 50021
Ken Williamsen, 4012 NE 62nd Avenue, Ankeny
Pat Kemp, 12085 NW 128TH St., Madrid,
Dale Barrett 13500 NW 58th St, Polk City
Harold Silver, 6030 NE 46th St. Altoona

Chair Johnson indicated prior to the public comments on the Encroachment Policy that based on responses received on this issue she is going to recommend pulling the item to approve the policy off of the agenda for this meeting. She directed staff to look again at the proposed policy, reevaluate it, and to open a focus group to make sure Polk County Conservation addresses everything accordingly and hopefully obtain satisfaction by both parties. Doug Romig distributed his business card as the contact for this issue.

#15-1103 Financial Reports No comments

#15-1104 Chichaqua Bottoms Greenbelt Master Plan Pat Boddy reviewed copies of master plan and did brief overview of plan.

Keith Summerville, 435 NE Sycamore Ave., Earlham appeared before the Board to express the professionalism shown by PCCB staff.

Plan received and filed by the Board.

#15-1105 **MOVED BY** Smith to approve the October 14, 2015 meeting minutes as written.

Vote Yea: Northway, Johnson, Smith

Abstain: Levis

CONSENT AGENDA

#15-1106 **MOVED BY** Levis to approve the PCCB October 2015 bill list

Vote Yea: Levis, Smith, Johnson, Northway

#15-1107 **MOVED BY** Northway to approve the supplementary contract between PCCB and Stanley Consultants, Inc. for bidding and construction services for wetlands at the former Shaw Farm and at the former Airport property at Chichaqua Bottoms Greenbelt.

Vote Yea: Levis, Smith, Johnson, Northway

ACTION ITEMS

#15-1108 Encroachment Policy item tabled. Board Member Mike Smith to be a part of focus group.

Public Hearings were held for Easter Lake Restoration - Contract 1A and Contract 1B projects. No one spoke for or against. Public Hearings closed.

#15-1109 **MOVED BY** Northway to approve the plans, specifications, form of contract documents, engineer estimate (\$502,619) and designating lowest responsible bidder as C.L. Carroll Company, Inc. in an amount of \$462,820 plus a 10% contingency for Easter Lake Restoration Contract 1a, spillway and fish rearing pond and authorizing the Board Chair to sign said agreement upon approval by Legal as to form

Vote Yea: Smith, Johnson, Northway, Levis

#15-1110 **MOVED BY** Levis to approve the plans, specifications, form of contract documents, engineer estimate (\$399,325) and designating lowest responsible bidder as Jasper Construction Services, Inc. in an amount of \$495,775 plus a 10% contingency for Easter Lake Restoration Contract 1b, sediment basin clearing, grubbing, excavation and stabilization and authorizing the Board Chair to sign said agreement upon approval by Legal as to form and receiving appropriate permits.

Vote Yea: Johnson, Northway, Levis, Smith

- #15-1111 **MOVED BY** Smith to approve recommending to the Polk County Board of Supervisors that they grant an easement to the City of Des Moines for the Evergreen Avenue roadway and bridge and further direct staff to work with the County Managers Office to place the request for an easement and land transfer before the Board of Supervisors with the PCCB recommendation to grant easement and transfer the land as detailed in the attachment.
Vote Yea: Northway, Levis, Johnson, Smith

BOARD DISCUSSION

- #15-1112 Director's Report
- Easter Lake – exciting to see wheels moving, community excited, media attention
 - Expanding recreational activities
 - On-going negotiations with Knapp Properties on Great Western Trail, close to an Agreement
 - Parks Superintendent position hiring update
- #15-1113 Board Chair and Member's Remarks
- Reiterated work to be done on Encroachment

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 6:53 p.m.

Approved: 12/09/15