

PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLK COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

The Polk County Conservation Board met in regular session on Wednesday, July 12, 2017. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

- #17-0701 Roll Call
- Members Present: Northway, Baratta, Cataldo, Levis, Brear
- #17-0702 Public Comments
- #17-0703 New employee hires Eric Baker (Maint. Tech) and Brent Hansen (Construction Tech) introduced themselves to the Board
- #17-0704 Financial Reports
- #17-0705 Emerald Ash Borer presentation was given by Mark Dungan, Natural Resources Manager.
- #17-0706 **MOVED BY** Levis to approve the June 14, 2017 and June 29, 2017 meeting minutes.
Vote Yea: Levis, Brear, Baratta, Cataldo, Northway

CONSENT AGENDA

- #17-0707 Approving the June 2017 bill list.
- #17-0708 Approving Architectural Award to Studio Melee for design services to the Jester Park Golf Course Clubhouse in an amount of \$55,875 and authorizing the Board Chair or his designee to sign said agreement.
- #17-0709 Receive and file the new logo for the Jester Park Nature Center.
- #17-0710 Awarding contract for site grading and settlement basin at the Jester Park Equestrian Center to RW Excavation Solutions LC in an amount not to exceed \$216,572.40; and authorize the Board Chair to sign said Agreement.
- #17-0711 Approving the installation of a 2" water main, for 8 livestock waterers at the Equestrian Center with Hartland Bobcat Services in the amount not to exceed \$32,210; and approving extending implementation date of increased boarding fees to September 1, 2017.

LET THE RECORD SHOW it was moved by Cataldo to approve the consent agenda with the amendment to #17-0711 staff recommendation.

Vote Yea: Cataldo, Northway, Levis, Baratta, Brear

ACTION ITEMS

- #17-0712 **Moved by** Levis to approve PCCB staff to work through the Iowa Natural Heritage Foundation to ensure Susan Ballard is properly recognized for her donation and to accept the land donation adjacent to Jester Park from Ms. Ballard and record the deed in the name of Polk County.
Vote Yea: Northway, Brear, Cataldo, Baratta, Levis

BOARD DISCUSSION

- #17-0713 Director's Report
- Jester Park Nature Center update
 - Easter Lake Lodge feasibility study
 - Yellow Banks Park update
 - Chichaqua update
 - Operations update
 - Fort Des Moines Park update
- #17-0714 Board Chair and Members' Remarks

CLOSED SESSION

- #17-0715 **Moved by** Cataldo that the Board go into closed session pursuant to Iowa Code Chapter 21.5(j) to discuss the purchase or sale of particular real estate only where premature disclosure could be reasonably expected to increase the price the governmental body would have to pay for that property or reduce the price the governmental body would receive for that property.
Vote Yea: Cataldo, Northway, Baratta, Brear, Levis

No action followed the closed session.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:34 p.m.