

Polk County Conservation Board
Polk County Administration Bldg.
111 Court Avenue, Room 120
Des Moines, IA

PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLK COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

The Polk County Conservation Board met in regular session on Wednesday, February 13, 2013. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

#1a – Roll Call

Board Present: Levis, Smith, Cataldo, Kurovski

#1b – Action on the Minutes of the Previous Meeting(s)

IT WAS MOVED BY CATALDO THAT THE POLK COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD SHALL APPROVE THE JANUARY 9, 2013 MEETING MINUTES AS WRITTEN.

VOTE YEA: SMITH, LEVIS, CATALDO

VOTE ABSTAIN: KUROVSKI

#2 – Consent Agenda

IT WAS MOVED BY LEVIS THAT THE POLK COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD APPROVE THE FOLLOWING CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

- A) PCCB JANUARY 2013 LIST OF EXPENDITURES;**
- B) ADOPTING THE PCCB BYLAWS AS AMENDED;**
- C) APPROVE PURCHASE OF A 200 GALLON SKID-MOUNTED SPRAYER FROM MINNESOTA WANNER COMPANY AT A COST OF \$14,969;**
- D) PURCHASE OF A FERRIS IS3100 72” MOWER FROM TURFWERKS – JOHNSTON AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$11,225;**
- E) PURCHASE OF A JOHN DEERE XUV 825I GATOR FROM THE VAN WALL GROUP FOR A PRICE NOT TO EXCEED \$13,784.27;**
- F) DIRECTING STAFF TO PUBLISH NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PURSUANT TO IOWA CODE 331.305, THAT A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD ON MARCH 13, 2013, 5:30 P.M. AT THE PCCB’S MEETING ON THE PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, COST ESTIMATE AND FORM OF CONTRACT FOR THE CHICHAQUA BOTTOMS GREENBELT WELL ENHANCEMENT;**

G) ACKNOWLEDGING RECEIPT OF AND APPROVES THE PROPOSED FOOD AND BEVERAGE COST INCREASES AT THE JESTER PARK GOLF COURSE AS IDENTIFIED.

VOTE YEA: CATALDO, SMITH, KUROVSKI, LEVIS,

#3 – Public Hearing: Great Western Trail, Temporary Construction Easement

Chair Smith opened public hearing on granting a temporary construction easement to the City of Des Moines to reconstruct the bridge where the Great Western Trail crosses under Army Post Road.

As there were no comments, Chair Smith closed the public hearing.

IT WAS MOVED BY KUROVSKI THAT THE POLK COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD APPROVE THE CITY OF DES MOINES' REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT TO RECONSTRUCT THE BRIDGE WHERE THE GREAT WESTERN TRAIL CROSSES UNDER ARMY POST ROAD, PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS A PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED IN THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER SECTION 25, AND THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 36, ALL IN TOWNSHIP 78 NORTH, RANGE 25 WEST OF THE OF THE FIFTH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, NOW INCLUDED IN AND FORMING A PART OF THE CITY OF DES MOINES, POLK COUNTY, IOWA, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 25, THENCE NORTH 00° 18' 08" WEST, 12.51 FEET ALONG THE WEST LINE OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 25 TO THE NORTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF VACATED CHICAGO, ST. PAUL AND KANSAS CITY RAILWAY COMPANY; THENCE NORTH 67° 31' 00" EAST, 593.50 FEET ALONG THE NORTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF VACATED CHICAGO, ST. PAUL AND KANSAS CITY RAILWAY COMPANY; THENCE SOUTH 22° 29' 00" EAST, 100.00 FEET TO THE SOUTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF VACATED CHICAGO, ST. PAUL AND KANSAS CITY RAILWAY COMPANY; THENCE SOUTH 67° 31' 00" WEST, 634.64 FEET ALONG THE SOUTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF VACATED CHICAGO, ST. PAUL AND KANSAS CITY RAILWAY COMPANY TO THE WEST LINE OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 36; THENCE NORTH 00° 06' 01" WEST, 95.62 FEET ALONG THE WEST LINE OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 36 TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 61,404 SQUARE FEET OR 1.41 ACRES MORE OR LESS; AND TO REQUEST TO THE POLK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS THE CONVEYANCE OF TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT TO THE CITY OF DES MOINES.

VOTE YEA: KUROVSKI, LEVIS, SMITH, CATALDO

#4 – Consultant Approval

IT WAS MOVED BY LEVIS THAT THE POLK COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD AUTHORIZES THE DIRECTOR TO NEGOTIATE THE CONTRACT TERMS WITH THE SELECTED ARCHITECTURAL AND ENGINEERING FIRMS AS IDENTIFIED AND AUTHORIZES THE PCCB DIRECTOR TO SIGN CONTRACTS COSTING UNDER \$10,000 AND BRINGING CONTRACTS COSTING OVER \$10,000 TO THE PCCB FOR APPROVAL.

VOTE YEA: CATALDO, KUROVSKI, LEVIS, SMITH

#5 – Land Acquisition: Property Near Beaver Creek Greenbelt

IT WAS MOVED BY KUROVSKI THAT THE POLK COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD RATIFY THEIR DECISION DIRECTING STAFF TO PURSUE ACQUISITION OF THE PROPERTY ALONG BEAVER CREEK AND FURTHER INSTRUCT STAFF TO CONTINUE EFFORTS TO ACQUIRE THE PROPERTY EITHER INDEPENDENTLY OR IN CONCERT WITH THE CITY OF GRIMES.

VOTE YEA: LEVIS, SMITH, KUROVSKI, CATALDO

#6 – PCCB Purchasing Policy

IT WAS MOVED BY CATALDO THAT THE POLK COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD MOVES FOR CONTINUANCE OF THE PCCB PURCHASING POLICY.

VOTE YEA: CATALDO, KUROVSKI, SMITH, LEVIS

#7 – Land Acquisition, Chichaqua Bottoms Greenbelt – Shaw Property From INHF

IT WAS MOVED BY LEVIS THAT THE POLK COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD DIRECT STAFF TO EXPEND WATER AND LAND LEGACY BOND REVENUES UP TO THE AMOUNT OF \$450,000 TO PURCHASE THE FORMER SHAW FARM FROM THE IOWA NATURAL HERITAGE FOUNDATION.

VOTE YEA: SMITH, KUROVSKI, CATALDO, LEVIS

#8 – PCCB Position Modifications

IT WAS MOVED BY CATALDO THAT THE POLK COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD DIRECT STAFF TO BEGIN RECRUITMENT FOR THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR AND CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR POSITIONS AND APPROVE THE ESTIMATED COSTS OF \$45,323 FOR FY 2012-13 AND \$183,337 FOR FY 2013-14, RESULTING FROM THE ORGANIZATIONAL RESTRUCTURING, BEING FUNDED FROM PCCB FUNDS.

VOTE YEA: CATALDO, LEVIS, SMITH, KUROVSKI

#9 – Donation Reimbursement

**IT WAS MOVED BY LEVIS THAT THE POLK COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD SHALL APPROVE REFUNDING HOWARD MESSERER HIS DONATION TOWARDS INSTALLATION OF A NEW WELL AT THE CONTROLLED MARSH AT CHICHAQUA BOTTOMS GREENBELT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$500.00
VOTE YEA: KUROVSKI, CATALDO, SMITH, LEVIS**

#10 – Employee Introductions

PCCB employees Ron Ugolini, Natural Resources Technician, and Carrie Spain, Equestrian Center Manager, introduced and told a little about themselves to the Board.

PUBLIC COMMENTS
FINANCIAL REPORTS
DISCUSSION & REMARKS

- Board reminded of Volunteer Banquet, March 3

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:14 p.m.

Prepared by: Cindy Lentz

Approved: 3/13/13