

The Mahaska County Conservation Board (MCCB) held its regular monthly meeting on Monday, March 17, 2025, at the Environmental Learning Center (ELC) in Caldwell Park. Board Chair Curt Jager called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Other members of the Board present at the meeting were Linda Fox, Steve Dixon and Jennifer Peterson. The members of staff present were Director Chris Clingan, and Admin Assistant Molly Hicks. Present from the public was Mark Sullivan Chairperson of Friends of Mahaska County Conservation and Rodney Anderson vice Chairperson of Friends of Mahaska County Conservation.

Board Chair Jager asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Motion by Dixon. Seconded by Fox. The motion passed unanimously.

The Minutes were discussed.

- I. Fox made a motion to approve the minutes of February 24, 2024, board meeting. Peterson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- II. Peterson made a motion to approve the minutes of February 28, 2024, special board meeting. Dixon seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Expenditures were reviewed.

- I. A few items on the expenditures list were discussed.
- II. Dixon made a motion to approve the expenditures. Fox seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Playscape contract and insurance requirements were discussed.

- I. Peterson made a motion to use Hanover Insurance during the construction phase of the playscape project. Fox seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- II. Dixon made a motion to accept the contract. Fox seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Urban WQI was discussed.

- I. Peterson made a motion to move forward with the Urban Water Quality Initiative Project contract. Fox seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The fish habitat contract was discussed.

- I. Dixon made a motion to sign the fish habitat contract and move forward. Fox seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Green Iowa Americorps was discussed.

The tourism award was discussed.

The next meeting will be April 21, 2025.

Public comments given.

Fox made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dixon seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:54 p.m.

Chairman _____

Secretary _____

Date _____

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