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Minutes of the Floyd County Conservation Board June 1st, 2021

The meeting was called to order by Vice President, Peter Kloberdanz at 5:00 p.m. Present were Board Members: Peter Kloberdanz, Beverly Fisher, Joel Cannon, and Pam Folz. Also present were: Director, Adam Sears, Naturalist, Heidi Reams, Natural Resource Manager, Tyron Steere, and citizen, Roy Schwickerath. Bev made a motion to accept the Consent Agenda, Pam seconded the motion was carried. Joel moved to amend the meeting agenda and a second was made by Bev. Motion carried.

Citizens report: Roy Schwickerath reported that the guidelines on how to distribute the three million dollars for COVID relief is still unknown. He also reported that the budget was contested and a decision will be made on June 7.

Foundation Liaison Report: Bev reported that the meeting will be next week.

Director's Report:

Adam Sears gave the Director's Report. We have 2 seasonal positions that were filled this summer to help us out. Noah Reams has returned and started about 2 weeks ago. Alexis Vance started with us today. Campgrounds have been extremely busy so far this year. This past weekend Tosanak Recreation Area and Ackley Creek camp pads were full. Idlewild and Colwell Park were near maximum capacity as well. Mowing has become a continuous job for us now that we have been having consistent rainfalls. We have been having some problems with our 730 John Deere lawn mower. It is probably time for us to get it up to the sale yard. Its not build as heavy as our other zero turn lawn mowers. The food plots have all been planted except for the sorghum plots. We have some herbicide spraying that will need to take place next. The volunteers have been helping on the weekends and this week we area now open every day. Today we finished our 3rd a final large tree planting of the season. We planted about 800 trees at Gil White Wildlife area today. That puts around 6,000 trees this spring. On June 12th we have a memorial service tree planting at FPP for Lee Zimmer. It is a \$600 ball and burlap oak tree to go in front of the Fossil and Prairie Center. We have a couple replacement trees for FPP that we need to purchase when I go get the large oak tree.

We have planted 3 dozen potted trees at FPP. We are looking forward to getting the Bridge resurfacing project at FPP started this month as materials have been ordered. Staff has put a chipped lime surface on the river trail at TRA.. We had several loads of gravel spread at TRA and a few loads piled up here at FPP for future use. We have had a lot of field trips and outdoor classrooms this past month at FPP and TRA. Heidi wrapped up the season by getting into many classrooms this past month. She will be hosting several day camps for kids in June. I have a dinner rotation sheet for each of you for this upcoming fiscal year. Bid packets for Riverbend Wildlife Area Tree Harvest are due Tuesday July 6th. We will be opening the bids and have a decision to make at the next FCCB meeting

Old Business:

The Board discussed the Bioreactor project opportunity at Mink Creek. An email was sent to Doug Johnson about investigative digging and starting in the next month. The board decided to table the item.

New Business:

The Board discussed the Board member vacancy. An application was given to the Supervisors, assuming there will be no other applicants, it will probably be approved. Thank you to Joel Cannon for your service.

The Board discussed the Training meeting. Both Adam and Dirk attended virtually. Dirk's take-away was that if a citizen speaks on a subject that is not in the agenda, the board cannot hold a discussion on that subject. Roy Schwickerath noted that subject wanting to be discussed had to be specific in the agenda.

The next meeting will be held on July 6th at 5:00 p.m. at the Fossil and Prairie Park. Bev moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:50 p.m. Joel seconded the motion and the motion was carried.

President

Secretary