

Dickinson County Conservation Board
Meeting Agenda
Dickinson County Nature Center
22785 Nature Center Road, Okoboji, IA 51355
7:00 p.m. June 12, 2024

Chair: Steve Anderson

Vice Chair: Eric Stoll

Board Members: Doug Nielsen, Robert Waters, Joan Gronstal

BOS Liaison: Steve Clark

Staff: Lee Sorenson, Amy Heibult

Visitors: 0

1. Call to order.

S. Anderson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

2. Agenda Approval

J. Gronstal motioned to approve agenda, seconded by D. Nielsen. All approved, motion carried.

3. Public Comment (limited to 5 minutes) None.

4. Consent agenda/Items

a. Approval of past month minutes

b. Recycle report

c. Environmental Education report

d. CFDC Minutes

J. Gronstal motioned to approve consent agenda/items, seconded by E. Stoll. All approved, motioned carried.

5. Dickinson County Conservation Board Area's

a. Judd Oxbow restoration

- Topic tabled for July mtg.

b. Mountain bike maps

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c. Sherwood updates

- Silt fences and measures to prevent runoff from Sherwood.

- Drainage plan was not in the bid – Construction company has started correcting the issue.
- Sidewalk ADA roll prevention bump plates will be installed
- Construction company says they are 22 days behind due to rain

d. Okoboji Foundation Grant

- DCCB received \$75,000 of grant funding from the Okoboji Foundation that will be used for the Hamdorf acquisition.

e. Hamdorf Acquisition

- Final payment will be made soon and will be finalizing acquisition this month.

6. Operation and facility

a. ICCS Fall conference

- Discussion of Fall 2024 conference and hosting the 2025 conference in Dickinson County

b. Nature Play area conceptual plans

- Executive Director Lee Sorenson presented the conceptual plan video of the Nature Play Area
- D. Nielsen motioned to present video to potential donors, seconded by R. Waters. All approved, motion carried.

7. Approval of Expenses

- J. Gronstal motioned to approve expenses, seconded by E. Stoll. All approved, motion carried.

8. General Discussion

- S. Anderson and L. Sorenson attended a meeting with the State Historical Society about the Abbie Gardner cabin
- The cabin will be retained by a governmental agency rather than the friends group.

9. Adjournment

- D. Nielsen motioned to adjourn 7:59 pm, seconded by J. Gronstal. All approved, motion carried.