

1. **Call to Order**
Jim Steer, Chair, called the regular meeting of the Des Moines County Conservation Board to order at 5:30 p.m. at the Des Moines County Conservation Administration Building.

Those Members Present: Jim Steer, Bob Hansen, James Garnjobst, Cathy Ziglar and Julie Solinski

Those Members Absent: None

Others Present: Administrative Assistant Breuer

2. **Additions and Deletions to Agenda:**
 - a. None
3. **Delegations/Public Input:**
 - a. Introduction of our new Naturalist, Kelly Rundell
4. **Approval of Minutes for June 13, 2018 :**
 - #21 a. Motion by Cathy Ziglar, seconded by Julie Solinski to approve the minutes of the June 13, 2018 Board Meeting. Motion passed unanimously by those members present.
5. **Approval of Claims for June 2018:**
 - #22 a. Motion by James Garnjobst, seconded by Cathy Ziglar to approve the claims for June 2018. Motion passed unanimously by those members present.
6. **Committee Reports:**
 - a. **Shooting Range:** Held meeting. Discussed usage and how good of shape ranges are in.
 - b. **Flint River Trails:** West end of trail was very sandy and caused minor issues. No work has started on center section yet.
 - c. **Observatory:** Jim Hilkin has taken over as President. They are getting 50-60 visitors a week when open. They had 3 groups in June that accounted for 65 people. Landscaping work is complete. Sidewalks have been poured and the new classroom lighting is complete.
 - d. **REAP/IWILL:** No report.
7. **Project Updates:**
 - a. **Flint River Trail:** Concrete work has commenced on the end sections.
 - b. **Pilgram Property:** The Pilgram property has been transferred to us from the Iowa National Heritage Foundation.
 - c. **Other:** The new kiosk at Big Hollow is complete. Campground usage remains high.
8. **Old Business:**
 - a. None
9. **New Business:**
 - a. **FY18-19 Budget**
The board was presented the FY18-19 budget along with a recap of the FY17-18 budget.


10. Informational Items/Correspondence:

a. The annual banquet was discussed.

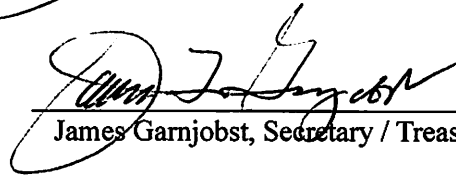
11. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 6:26 p.m.

Next meeting will be held at the Des Moines County Administration Office at 13700 Washington Road in West Burlington, IA. Meeting will be held at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday August 01, 2018.

The public is welcome.



Jim Steer, Chair



James Garnjobst, Secretary / Treasurer