

**REGULAR MEETING
JASPER COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD
Conservation Office, Armory Building
April 4, 2023, 4:30 P.M.**

Board Members Present: Andy Stone, Carol Kramer, Bill Henninger, and Chris Herbold

Staff Present: Keri Van Zante, Greg Oldsen, Jade Read, and Ethan VanderPol

With a quorum present, the business meeting was called to order by Chairperson Herbold at 4:30 pm. Minutes of the March 7, 2023 regular meeting were approved as written.

APPROVAL OF BILLS – ACTION 23-43. Motion by Henninger, second by Kramer that the following bills be approved for payment from the conservation fund:

Alliant Energy	Electric Service-Mariposa	0001-22-6110-000-43142	\$314.34	
Alliant Energy	Electric Service-Ulenhop	0001-22-6110-000-43143		
Iowa Regional Utilites Assoc	Water Service Ashton	0001-22-6110-000-43244	\$51.37	
Iowa Regional Utilites Assoc	Water Service Mariposa	0001-22-6110-000-43242	\$65.10	
Iowa Regional Utilites Assoc	Water Service Uhlenhopp	0001-22-6110-000-21249	\$32.55	
Iowa Regional Utilites Assoc	Water Service Krumm	0001-22-6110-000-43213	\$65.10	
Jasper County Engineer	Fuels-Motor Vehicle	0001-22-6110-000-25000	\$1,640.24	
MidAmerican Energy	Electric Service-Ashton	0001-22-6110-000-43144	\$280.00	
	Ashton Campground	0001-22-6110-000-43144	\$116.56	
Skunk River Sanitation LLC	Waste Removal Ashton	0001-22-6110-000-21944	\$47.00	
Keltek Inc.	Truck Lights	0001-22-6110-000-44600	\$2,664.16	
Iowa Native Trees	DNR Tree Grant	0027-22-0210-000-60000	\$5,108.00	
IDNR	IDNR Check Mistake	0027-22-0210-000-60000	\$32,152.00	
Greater Giving	Advertising	0001-22-6100-000-40000	\$295.00	
Amerigas	Ashton House Propane	0001-22-6110-000-43044	\$914.48	
	Ashton Observatory Prop	0001-22-6110-000-43044	\$369.94	
	Ashton Shop Propane	0001-22-6110-000-43044	\$838.91	
Martin Marietta	Ashton Rock	0001-22-6110-000-21244	\$498.49	
Snyder & Associates	RRPT	1555-22-0220-000-60100	\$5,125.19	
Snyder & Associates	ARPA CVT	0031-22-0210-000-60100	\$2,000.00	
Theisens	Seed Starting	0001-22-6100-000-29139	\$24.31	C
Walmart	Sugar Shack	0005-22-6100-000-29280	\$12.67	C
Garvis Honda	Mariposa ATV	0001-22-6110-000-44300	\$110.95	C
Amazon	Program Supplies	0001-22-6100-000-29139	\$47.64	C

Dodds	Uhlenhopp Trash Removal	0001-22-6110-000-44146	\$75.00	C
Amazon	Fundraiser Supplies	0028-22-0210-000-60000	\$99.90	C
Amazon	JCC Signs	0001-22-6100-000-40000	\$169.95	C
Amazon	JCC Banner	0001-22-6100-000-40000	\$75.95	C
Amazon	Marip. Mem Sign	0001-22-6110-000-21400	\$38.42	C
Forbes	Printing Contract	0001-22-6100-000-40200	\$54.00	C
Walmart	Owls Supplies	0001-22-6100-000-29139	\$15.43	C
Walmart	Sugar Shack	0005-22-6100-000-29280	\$23.75	C
Theisens	Sugar Shack	0005-22-6100-000-29280	\$23.16	C
Theisens	Ashton Shop Supplies	0001-22-6110-000-21944	\$44.53	C
Theisens	Krumm Supplies	0001-22-6110-000-21943	\$69.33	C
Amazon	Native Plant Project	0001-22-6100-000-29139	\$8.19	C
Amazon	Native Plant Project	0001-22-6100-000-29139	\$99.60	C
Amazon	Native Plant Project	0001-22-6100-000-29139	\$25.88	C
Amazon	Native Plant Project	0001-22-6100-000-29139	\$45.98	C
Amazon	Sugar Shack	0005-22-6100-000-29280	\$22.39	C
Amazon	Program Books	0001-22-6100-000-26139	\$27.78	C
	office supplies	0001-22-6100-000-26000	\$7.90	C
	Bike Trail Signs	0001-22-6110-000-41546	\$43.90	C
Amazon	Program Books	0001-22-6100-000-26139	\$22.87	C
Amazon	Program Books	0001-22-6100-000-26139	\$22.99	C
Amazon	JCC Signs	0001-22-6100-000-40000	\$20.98	C
Garvis Honda	R &M Marip. ATV	0001-22-6110-000-44300	\$127.75	C
Theisens	Ashton Shop Supplies	0001-22-6110-000-21944	\$30.97	C
Theisens	MSC Uhlenhopp Supplies	0001-22-6110-000-21946	\$16.38	C
Walmart	Program Supplies	0001-22-6100-000-29139	\$20.94	C
Menards	Ashton Supplies	0001-22-6110-000-21946	\$103.75	C
	R&M Vehicles Marip			
NAPA	Truck	0001-22-6110-000-44000	\$36.98	C
NAPA	R&M Vehicles	0001-22-6110-000-44000	\$20.32	C
Prairie Ag Supply	Mower Maint	0001-22-6110-000-44300	\$232.44	C
Amazon	Sign	0001-22-6100-000-40000	\$33.99	C
Charity Golf Today	G.T Expenses	0028-22-0210-000-60000	\$284.87	C
	Shipping	0001-22-6100-000-41200	\$30.59	C
Amazon	G.T Expenses	0028-22-0210-000-60000	\$123.92	C
Theisens	Sprayer Parts	0001-22-6110-000-24100	\$313.45	C
Theisens	Sprayer Parts	0001-22-6110-000-24100	\$71.99	C
Theisens	Ashton Shop Supplies	0001-22-6110-000-21942	\$15.76	C
Sprayer Specialties	Sprayer Repairs	0001-22-6110-000-44300	\$246.48	C
Van Wall Equipment	vehicle repair	0001-22-6110-000-44000	\$106.98	C

IACCB	Ranger cont. Ed	0001-22-6110-000-42200	\$40.00	C
Canva	Marketing	0001-22-6100-000-40000	\$14.99	C
Theisens	Seed Starting	0001-22-6100-000-29139	\$30.98	C
Theisens	Sugar Shack	0005-22-6100-000-29280	\$58.95	C
Amazon	Uhlenhopp Building Maint	0001-22-6110-000-44146	\$4.99	C
Amazon	Uhlenhopp Building Maint	0001-22-6110-000-44146	\$59.99	C
	Fundraiser Supplies	0028-22-0210-000-60000	\$426.63	C
Amazon	Fundraiser Supplies	0028-22-0210-000-60000	\$18.55	C
Amazon	Fundraiser Supplies	0028-22-0210-000-60000	\$17.50	C
Amazon	office supplies	0001-22-6100-000-26000	\$23.98	C
Amazon	Signs	0001-22-6100-000-40000	\$33.99	C
Amazon	Signs	0001-22-6100-000-40000	\$33.99	C
Amazon	Advertising	0001-22-6100-000-40000	\$67.98	C
Facebook	Advertising	0001-22-6100-000-40000	\$28.02	C
Key Cooperative	Propane Mariposa	0001-22-6110-000-43042	\$310.00	C
Menards	R&M Building	0001-22-6110-000-44300	\$144.97	C
NAPA	Ashton Paint Sprayer	0001-22-6110-000-21944	\$16.99	C
Walmart	Lab Supplies	0001-22-6100-000-29139	\$12.34	C
Theisens	Ashton Shop Repairs	0001-22-6110-000-44144	\$15.76	C
Van Wall Equipment	vehicle repair	0001-22-6110-000-44000	\$106.98	C
Sprayer Specialties	Sprayer Repairs	0001-22-6110-000-24100	\$246.48	C
Amazon	Signs	0001-22-6100-000-40000	\$33.99	C
Amazon	Uhlenhopp Window Priv.	0001-22-6110-000-21900	\$4.99	C
Amazon	Uhlenhopp Window Priv.	0001-22-6110-000-21900	\$83.97	C

\$57,466.45

Motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Staff reports were presented by Oldsen, Read, and VanderPol

APPROVAL OF CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR CVT PROJECT- ACTION

23-44. Board members considered the construction contract for the Chichaqua Valley Trail repairs to be completed by TK Concrete. Total cost of the project will be \$365,907, with work beginning no later than August 1, 2023 and completed within 30 working days. Motion by Stone, second by Kramer to approve the CVT construction contract with TK Concrete for a total cost of \$365,907. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF CONSTRUCTION SERVICE CONTRACT WITH SNYDER AND ASSOCIATES FOR CVT REPAIR PROJECT- ACTION 23-45. Van Zante

presented a Standard Professional Services Agreement from Snyder and Associates for construction services during the CVT repair project in the amount of \$13,900. This includes construction administration and construction observation during the project. Motion by Kramer, second by Stone to approve the Standard Professional Services Agreement with Snyder and Associates in the amount of \$13,900. Motion carried unanimously.

ACCEPTANCE OF DESTINATION IOWA GRANT FOR ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CENTER- ACTION 23-46. Van Zante presented the Destination Iowa Grant from Iowa Economic Development in the amount of \$550,000 for the Environmental Education Center. Motion by Henninger, second by Kramer to accept the \$550,000 Destination Iowa Grant for the Environmental Education Center project. Motion carried unanimously.

Community Forest Grant. Oldsen received a \$5,108 Community Forest Grant to replace 52 trees lost in the derecho and because of Emerald Ash Borer damage. To meet the species diversity requirement of the grant, only 1 nursery had all of the tree species and sizes available that were needed. Iowa Native Trees and Shrubs was the only nursery meeting specifications, so it was the only one used for the project.

MY COUNTY PARKS- ACTION 23-47. Read presented again about joining My County Parks e-commerce site that will allow for online camping, cabin, summer camps registration and payment. This will require a \$1,000 start up fee and \$25/month fee. Motion by Henninger, second by Stone to pay the \$1,000 start up fee and join My County Parks. Motion carried unanimously.

WAGAMAN MILL LEASE- ACTION 23-48. The lease to maintain the Wagaman Mill wheelhouse will end May 31, 2023. The Lynnville Historical Society has asked what our plan will be going forward. Conservation Board members would like to continue with educational programs and field trips at the mill but will let the lease expire. Maintaining tree removal from the low head dam and maintaining the pit in the mill is too dangerous and board members will not allow staff to do those things any longer. Motion by Henninger, second by Kramer to continue with educational programs at Wagaman Mill but allow the existing lease to expire on May 31, 2023. Motion carried unanimously.

Grants. No new grant submissions

MARIPOSA CAMPGROUND SHOWERHOUSE CONCRETE AND BLOCK BIDS- ACTION 23-49. VanderPol reported that Seals Construction is now not able to start the concrete or block project until late August, so we will need to rebid the project. VanderPol presented the remaining bids for concrete and block. Seals original proposal was for \$73,223 for block and concrete. TK Concrete bid \$34,905 for concrete and Wilkenson bid \$38,400 for the block, for a total of

\$73,306. Motion by Henninger second by Kramer to accept the TK/Wilkenson bid for \$73,305. Motion carried unanimously.

MARIPOSA CAMPGROUND SHOWERHOUSE PLUMBING BIDS- ACTION 23-50. Bids for showerhouse plumbing were received from Pipe Pros for \$71,000, Brooker for \$67,241, Terpstra for \$48,800, and Warnick for \$48,521. Motion by Kramer, second by Henninger to accept the low bid from Warnick Mechanical for showerhouse plumbing for \$48,521. Motion carried unanimously.

MARIPOSA CAMPGROUND DUMP STATION BIDS- ACTION 23-51. VanderPol presented bids for dump station materials. Pella Precast bid \$9,861 plus delivery for piping, a 2,000-gallon dual tank, and a 2,000-gallon siphon tank as required by the Jasper County Board of Health design. Lister bid \$2,200 for the dual tank but does not have piping or a siphon tank available. Motion by Stone second by Henninger to accept the bid from Pella Precast in the amount of \$9,861 plus delivery for dump station materials. Motion carried unanimously.

Nature Center. Jamie Malloy, nature center consultant, will be here April 11, 2023 to discuss forward movement on project. A Caring for Conservation golf tournament will be held on May 20, 2023 and a Caring for Conservation Auction will be held November 2023.

Other. Nothing identified.

Board Member Concerns. None identified.

ADJOURNMENT- ACTION 23-52. With no further business appearing, motion by Stone second by Kramer that the meeting adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT – 5:47 p.m.

Bill Henninger, Secretary