

**REGULAR MEETING
JASPER COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD
Conservation Office, Armory Building
December 5, 2023, 8:30 A.M.**

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

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

Guest Present: Dennis Simon

With a quorum present, the business meeting was called to order by Chairperson Herbold at 8:30 am. Minutes of the November 7, 2023, regular meeting was approved as written.

APPROVAL OF BILLS - ACTION 24-31. Motion by Kramer, second by Henninger that the following bills be approved for payment from the conservation fund:

Alliant Energy	0001-22-6110-000-43142	\$258.06
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Iowa Regional Utilities Assoc	0001-22-6110-000-43244	\$79.60
Iowa Regional Utilities Assoc	0001-22-6110-000-43242	\$74.51
Iowa Regional Utilities Assoc	0001-22-6110-000-21249	\$23.14
Iowa Regional Utilities Assoc	0001-22-6110-000-43213	\$74.51
MidAmerican Energy	0001-22-6110-000-43144	\$325.00
	0001-22-6110-000-43144	\$130.30
TK Concrete Inc.	0031-22-0210-000-60100	\$167,164.95
Ahlers Cooney p.C	0027-22-0210-000-60000	\$634.14
TK Concrete Inc.	0031-22-0210-000-44142	\$6,405.00
Manatts	0031-22-0210-000-44142	\$1,171.96
Martin Marietta Materials	0031-22-0210-000-44142	\$157.11
Forbes Office Solution	0001-22-6100-000-40200	\$74.91
Pella Rental and Sales	0031-22-0210-0000-44142	\$782.00
Amerigas	0001-22-6110-000-43044	\$462.21
	0001-22-6110-000-43044	\$74.29
	0001-22-6110-000-43044	\$190.26
Huffaker Trucking	0027-22-0210-000-60000	\$90.92

Dodds Trash Hauling	0001-22-6110-000-44146	\$75.00	
Studio MELEE	0023-22-0210-000-6000	\$2,635.00	
Jerry Ratliff	0001-22-6100-000-41400	\$105.00	
Keri Van Zante	0001-22-6100-000-41400	\$105.00	
Katie Cantu	0001-22-6100-000-41400	\$105.00	
Greg Oldsen	0001-22-6100-000-41400	\$105.00	
Dennis Cooling	0001-22-6100-000-41400	\$105.00	
Kent Dunsburgen	0001-22-6100-000-41400	\$105.00	
Ethan Vander pol	0001-22-6100-000-41400	\$105.00	
Jade Read	0001-22-6100-000-41400	\$105.00	
Gardner Millwork & Supply	0031-22-0210-000-44142	\$5,647.55	
Menards	0027-22-0210-000-60000	\$352.00	C
Theisens	0001-22-6110-000-44144	\$1,051.95	C
The Home Depot	0001-22-6110-000-44144	\$1,057.83	C
Menards	0027-22-0210-000-60000	\$119.99	C
Gilcrest Jewett	0027-22-0210-000-60000	\$2,818.64	C
P&P Small Engines	0001-22-6110-000-44144	\$4,422.30	C
Theisens	0031-22-0210-000-44142	\$11.98	C
Menards	0001-22-6110-000-44144	\$251.18	C
Menards	0031-22-0210-000-44142	\$389.45	C
Smith Quality Rental	0031-22-0210-000-44142	\$1,787.50	C
Gilcrest Jewett	0031-22-0210-000-44142	\$168.46	C
Gilcrest Jewett	0031-22-0210-000-44142	\$128.84	C
Gilcrest Jewett	0031-22-0210-000-44142	\$9,961.12	C
Barney's Tire Service	0001-22-6110-000-44000	\$938.00	C
Pepper Sprout	0028-22-0210-000-60000	\$50.00	C
Walmart	0001-22-6100-000-29139	\$28.84	C
Amazon	0001-22-6100-000-26139	\$21.63	C
	0001-22-6100-000-29139	\$11.99	C
Amazon	0001-22-6100-000-26139	\$41.70	C
Amazon	0001-22-6100-000-26000	\$46.49	C
Amazon	0001-22-6100-000-40000	\$40.98	C
Steph Annee	0028-22-0210-000-60000	\$45.32	C
Dutchfix	0028-22-0210-000-60000	\$25.00	C
Canva	0001-22-6100-000-40000	\$14.99	C
Facebook	0001-22-6100-000-40000	\$75.00	C
Facebook	0001-22-6100-000-40000	\$5.18	C
Facebook	0001-22-6100-000-40000	\$2.94	C
Google	0001-22-6100-000-26000	\$21.39	C
Amazon	0001-22-6100-000-26000	\$11.00	C
Menards	0031-22-0210-000-44142	\$394.86	C
Walmart	0028-22-0210-000-60000	\$80.46	C

\$210,782.31

Motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Staff reports were presented by Ratliff, VanderPol, Oldsen and Read.

MARIPOSA CABIN SPRAY FOAM BIDS- ACTION 24-32. VanderPol presented bids for spray foam insulation at the Mariposa Cabin. Precision Insulation bid \$6,695, Kinsler Construction bid \$5,027, and Cline Spray Foam bid \$3,650. Motion by Henninger, second by Stone to accept the spray foam bid from Cline Spray Foam for \$3,650.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Mariposa Job Description. Board members discussed job descriptions for the Mariposa job. The discussion centered around whether the job would be a maintenance tech or a park officer. Van Zante will meet with Halferty and Stevenson again to discuss the best options.

UHLENHOPP AND SUGAR CREEK CONNECTION- ACTION 24-33. Van Zante suggested hiring an appraiser to help create an offer for the landowner that connects Uhlenhopp and Sugar Creek. Motion by Henninger, second by Kramer to hire an appraisal done for the connection property between Uhlenhopp and Sugar Creek if the landowner is accepting. Motion carried unanimously.

Rent Fun Self-Serve Kayak Station- ACTION 24-34. Van Zante presented a contract for self-serve kayak stations to be placed at Mariposa. This is a 5-year initial contract for a one-time fee \$18,000, and the contract includes all of the equipment, maintenance for the station. Jasper County will get half of the rental dollars. Motion by Stone, second by Henninger to spend the \$18,000 for the self-serve kayak station to be placed at Mariposa Spring 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

Greiner (CmaR) Nature Center Budget Discussion- Greiner staff, align with Studio Melee, presented an initial budget for the nature center building. The budget is a starting point and will be adjusted to meet our funding parameters. The budget estimated 12 months for construction.

Grants. Nothing identified.

Nature Center. The Caring for Conservation Auction on December 2 raised \$13,000 and the spring golf tournament brought in \$11,000, for a total of \$24,000.

Other. Nothing identified.

Board Member Concerns. None identified.

ADJOURNMENT- ACTION 24-35. With no further business appearing, motion by Henninger second by Kramer that the meeting adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT - 10:15 a.m.

Bill Henninger, Secretary