

**REGULAR MEETING**  
**JASPER COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD**  
**Conservation Office, Armory Building**  
**May 6, 2025, 10:00 A.M.**

**Board Members Present:** Andy Stone, Carol Kramer, Chris Herbold, and Willie Yeager

**Staff Present:** Keri Van Zante and Jade Read

**Guest Present:** Matt Van Gelder, Corn Spokes Bike Co. in Monroe

With a quorum present, the business meeting was called to order by Chairperson Yeager at 8:34am. Minutes of the April 1, 2025, regular meeting and April 10, 2025 special meeting, were approved as written.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS – ACTION 25-81.** Motion by Herbold, second by Stone, that the following bills be approved for payment from the conservation fund:

Alliant Energy	0001-22-6110-000-43142	\$148.97
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Iowa Regional Utilities Assoc	0001-22-6110-000-43244	\$61.98
Iowa Regional Utilities Assoc	0001-22-6110-000-43242	\$290.26
Iowa Regional Utilities Assoc	0001-22-6110-000-21249	\$135.80
Iowa Regional Utilities Assoc	0001-22-6110-000-43213	\$178.56
Jasper County Engineer	0001-22-6110-000-25000	\$1,827.72
MidAmerican Energy	0001-22-6110-000-43144	\$362.00
	0001-22-6110-000-43144	\$70.91
Skunk River Sanitation LLC	0001-22-6110-000-21944	\$55.00
Dodds Trash and Hauling	0001-22-6110-000-44146	\$160.00
	0001-22-6110-000-44142	\$240.00
US Cellular	0001-22-6110-000-42080	\$175.16
Arrow Pet Control	0001-22-6110-000-44142	\$80.00
Studio MELEE	0023-22-0210-000-60000	\$1,799.00
Riggs Printing	0001-22-6100-000-26339	\$395.46
	0001-22-6100-000-41200	\$195.00
Forbes	0001-22-6100-000-40200	\$65.34
Newton Daily News	0001-22-6100-000-40000	\$45.34
Angry Bear Motorsports Con.	0001-22-6110-000-44143	\$30,853.61
Earth Works Inc.	0001-22-6110-000-44142	\$10,900.00
Jade Read	0001-22-6100-000-40000	\$42.43
Martin Marietta	0001-22-6110-000-21244	\$298.69

	0001-22-6110-000-21244	\$851.73	
Amerigas	0001-22-6110-000-43044	\$572.69	
Jasper County Planning & Zo	0001-22-6110-000-44142	\$902.60	
Krampe Welding & Fabrication	0001-22-6110-000-21400	\$203.00	
	0001-22-6110-000-21247	\$500.00	
	0001-22-6110-000-21446	\$272.00	
Greiner Construction	0028-22-0210-000-60000	\$218,826.80	
Huffaker Trucking	0001-22-6110-000-21244	\$615.26	
Riggs Printing	0001-22-6100-000-40000	\$468.00	
Greiner Construction	0028-22-0210-000-60000	\$105,811.78	
Amazon	0005-22-6100-000-29280	\$18.98	C
Amazon	0005-22-6100-000-29280	\$43.91	C
Theisens	0001-22-6110-000-24100	\$47.97	C
Menards	0001-22-6110-000-44143	\$206.95	C
Walmart	0001-22-6100-000-29139	\$19.62	C
Walmart	0001-22-6100-000-29139	\$19.12	C
Theisens	0005-22-6100-000-29280	\$13.22	C
Walmart	0001-22-6100-000-29280	\$39.44	C
Theisens	0001-22-6110-000-21942	\$17.68	C
Walmart	0001-22-6110-000-23200	\$129.00	C
Amazon	0028-22-0210-000-60000	\$7.95	C
	0005-22-6100-000-29280	\$26.99	C
Amazon	0001-22-6110-000-24100	\$55.85	C
Amazon	0001-22-6100-000-29139	\$22.50	C
Niemann Ace Hardware	0001-22-6110-000-24100	-\$49.22	C
Theisens	0001-22-6110-000-21942	\$56.35	C
Amazon	0001-22-6100-000-29139	\$11.34	C
Sprayer Specialties	0001-22-6110-000-24100	\$695.00	C
Amazon	0005-22-6100-000-29280	\$25.99	C
Amazon	0005-22-6100-000-29280	\$54.71	C
Amazon	0001-22-6110-000-20142	\$15.19	C
Amazon	0001-22-6100-000-29139	\$23.51	C
Magnum Automotive	0001-22-6110-000-25400	\$1,160.74	C
Hach	0001-22-6100-000-29139	\$337.09	C
Amazon	0028-22-0210-000-60000	\$220.96	C
Amazon	0001-22-6110-000-21446	\$124.99	C
P&P Small Engines	0001-22-6110-000-290000	\$72.99	C
Amazon	0005-22-6100-000-29280	\$28.94	C
Amazon	0005-22-6100-000-29280	\$38.98	C
Amazon	0005-22-6100-000-29280	\$102.57	C
Amazon	0028-22-0210-000-60000	\$63.98	C
Amazon	0001-22-6100-000-29139	\$5.99	C

Amazon	0001-22-6110-000-20142	\$601.00	C
	0001-22-6100-000-29139	\$12.42	C
	0001-22-6110-000-21446	\$8.19	C
Poured Foundations	0001-22-6110-000-44143	\$25,920.00	C
	0001-22-6110-000-44143	\$2,000.00	C
NAPA	0001-22-6110-000-21942	\$84.98	C
NAPA	0001-22-6110-000-21942	\$39.47	C
Ryan's Tire & Auto	0001-22-6110-000-25400	\$28.00	C
Hickenbottom	0001-22-6110-000-21942	\$14.55	C
Menards	0001-22-6110-000-44144	\$104.99	C
Theisens	0001-22-6110-000-24100	\$70.82	C
Menards	0001-22-6110-000-20300	\$103.13	C
Theisens	0001-22-6110-000-29000	\$35.99	C
Walmart	0001-22-6100-000-29139	\$9.98	C
Walmart	0001-22-6100-000-29139	\$16.72	C
	0028-22-0210-000-60000	\$49.94	C
Walmart	0001-22-6100-000-29139	\$11.54	C
City of Newton	0001-22-6110-000-21900	\$83.95	C
Authorize.net	0001-22-6100-000-40000	\$13.90	C
Ace Hardware	0001-22-6110-000-25400	\$3.59	C
Walmart	0001-22-6100-000-29139	\$54.82	C
Walmart	0001-22-6100-000-29139	\$7.98	C
Menards	0001-22-6110-000-44144	\$55.14	C
Theisens	0001-22-6110-000-44144	-\$35.90	C
Theisens	0001-22-6110-000-44144	\$14.33	C
Theisens	0001-22-6110-000-21946	\$44.95	C
Amazon	0001-22-6100-000-29139	\$39.99	C
Canva	0001-22-6100-000-40000	\$14.99	C
Walmart	0001-22-6100-000-29139	\$39.49	C
Amazon	0001-22-6110-000-21946	\$37.98	C
Amazon	0001-22-6110-000-21946	\$39.99	C
Amazon	0005-22-6100-000-29280	\$72.23	c
Amazon	0005-22-6100-000-29280	\$38.88	C
	0001-22-6110-000-21942	\$9.69	C
Studio MELEE	0023-22-0210-000-60000	\$1,799.00	
	0028-22-0210-000-60000	\$3,195.00	
Skunk River Sanitation	0001-22-6110-000-21944	\$55.00	
Snyder & Associates	0031-22-0210-000-60100	\$26,803.68	
Amazon	0001-22-6100-000-40239	\$19.74	C
Amazon	0001-22-6100-000-40239	\$28.26	C
Amazon	0001-22-6100-000-40239	\$14.69	C
Amazon	0001-22-6100-000-40239	\$27.88	C

Amazon	0001-22-6100-000-40239	\$20.00	C
Theisens	0001-22-6110-000-21900	\$109.99	C
		\$443,106.48	

Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF DIGITAL TRANSACTIONS- ACTION 25-82.** Motion by Stone second by Herbold to approve the bank statement showing the monthly digital and online transactions and ACH transfers. Motion carried unanimously.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

A written naturalist report was distributed.

**NATURE CENTER SEPTIC BIDS- ACTION 25-83.** Four contractors were contacted to get bids for the nature center septic system. The project is unique because of the short turnaround installation time required. Both Herbold Construction and Robbie Howe responded they did not have time to do the project within the timeline. EWI bid \$27,497.77 and Fenner Underground bid \$20,698. When bids were compared, it was found that Fenner left out the pump and electricity to the pump in his bid. Van Zante noticed this on May 1, 2025 and emailed Fenner and asked for an updated bid, but didn't receive a response. Motion by Herbold, second by Stone to reject all bids due to one being a cost well above funding in hand and the other being an incomplete bid. Motion carried unanimously.

**LILLIAN JOHNSTON FUNDS- ACTION 25-84.** Van Zante reported that there is \$250,856.62 in the Lillian Johnston Fund at this time. Motion by Stone, second by Kramer to utilize \$75,000 of the Lillian Johnston funding for the nature center project and add Lillian Johnston Memorial to the donor wall. Motion carried unanimously.

**PUMP WETLAND PROJECT AT UHLENHOPP- ACTION 25-85.** Van Zante and Oldsen have been working with IDALS on a potential pump wetland project along Sugar Creek at Uhlenhopp Arboretum. A draft agreement for the project was reviewed by the county attorney that would pay for the project with IDALS funding of \$280,000. Motion by Herbold, second by Kramer to accept the contract from IDALS for the pump wetland project at Uhlenhopp. Motion carried unanimously.

**JASPER COMMUNITY FOUNDATION GRANT APPLICATION- ACTION 25-86.** A \$10,000 JCF grant has been written to fund classroom items for the nature center. Motion by Herbold, second by Stone to approve submitting the grant

application to Jasper Community Foundation for nature center classroom items. Motion carried unanimously.

**Other.** Nothing identified.

**Board Member Concerns.** Nothing identified.

**ADJOURNMENT- ACTION 25-87.** With no further business appearing, motion by Stone second by Kramer that the meeting adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT – 9:33 a.m.**

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Chris Herbold, Secretary