

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

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

**Staff Present:** Keri Van Zante and Jerry Ratliff

**Guest Present:** Matt Van Gelder, Karl Peters

With a quorum present, the business meeting was called to order by Chairperson Yeager at 8:30am. Minutes of May 6, 2025, regular meeting were approved as written.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS – ACTION 25-88.** Motion by Stone second by Herbold, that the following bills be approved for payment from the conservation fund:

Alliant Energy	0001-22-6110-000-43142	\$22.96
Alliant Energy	0001-22-6110-000-43142	\$181.04
Alliant Energy	0001-22-6110-000-43143	\$168.66
Alliant Energy	0001-22-6110-000-43142	\$24.34
Alliant Energy	0001-22-6110-000-43143	\$160.56
Alliant Energy	0001-22-6110-000-43142	\$49.67
Alliant Energy	0001-22-6110-000-43142	\$246.47
Iowa Regional Utilities Assoc	0001-22-6110-000-43244	\$50.62
Iowa Regional Utilities Assoc	0001-22-6110-000-43242	\$182.45
Iowa Regional Utilities Assoc	0001-22-6110-000-21249	\$38.54
Iowa Regional Utilities Assoc	0001-22-6110-000-43243	\$54.28
Jasper County Engineer	0001-22-6110-000-25000	\$2,324.74
Jasper County Engineer	0001-22-6110-000-25000	\$1,827.43
MidAmerican Energy	0001-22-6110-000-43144	\$150.00
MidAmerican Energy	0001-22-6110-000-43144	\$52.09
Skunk River Sanitation LLC	0001-22-6110-000-21944	\$55.00
Dodds Trash and Hauling	0001-22-6110-000-44146	\$80.00
US Cellular	0001-22-6110-000-42080	\$175.16
Central Iowa Farm Store	0001-22-6110-000-63800	\$6,650.00
Forbes Office Solution	0001-22-6100-000-40200	\$65.34
Forbes Office Solution	0001-22-6100-000-40200	\$95.57
Martin Marietta Materials	0001-22-6110-000-21242	\$585.71
Martin Marietta Materials	0001-22-6110-000-44143	\$395.04
Martin Marietta Materials	0001-22-6110-000-44142	\$415.57
Van Diest Supply	0001-22-6110-000-20300	\$491.25

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Schwartz Construction	0001-22-6110-000-44142	\$50,000.00	
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	
Tristan Hunt	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	\$70.00	
Re-Considered	0028-22-0210-000-60000	\$1,000.00	
Firm Foundations	0031-22-0210-000-44142	\$18,062.00	
Snyder & Associates	1555-22-0220-000-60100	\$16,752.30	
Milligan Automotive	0001-22-6110-000-29000	\$608.50	
DC Sports	0001-22-6110-000-29400	\$155.00	
Poured Foundations	0001-22-6110-000-44142	\$23,100.00	
Indianola Precast	0028-22-0210-000-60000	\$3,833.00	
IACCS	0001-22-6100-000-48000	\$1,500.00	
King Art Studio	0028-22-0210-000-6000	\$2,100.00	
Greiner Construction	0028-22-0210-000-6000	\$331,453.37	
Iowa Natural Heritage Foundation	0001-22-6100-000-48000	\$500.00	
Iowa Regional Utilities Assoc	0001-22-6110-000-43245	\$1,000.00	
Ziegler	0001-22-6110-000-63100	\$140,061.12	
WinSupply	0028-22-1210-000-6000	\$6,160.49	
Huffaker Trucking	0031-22-0210-000-44142	\$268.37	
Martin Marietta Materials	0031-22-0210-000-44142	\$1,320.22	
Studio Melee	0023-22-0210-000-6000	\$1,799.00	
Studio Melee	0028-22-0210-000-6000	\$9,585.00	
Newton Daily News	0001-22-6100-000-4000	\$12.29	
Terpstra Plumb, Heat, Elec	0001-22-6110-000-44143	\$9,780.00	
Westwood Golf Course	0028-22-0210-000-6000	\$1,797.75	
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
Amazon	0001-22-6110-000-21942	\$9.69	C
Walmart	0001-22-6100-000-29139	\$39.49	C
Bobs Septic	0001-22-6110-000-41046	\$450.00	C
Amazon	0001-22-6100-000-29139	\$43.12	C
Authorize.net	0001-22-6100-000-40000	\$20.20	C
Amazon	0005-22-6100-000-29280	\$167.55	C
Amazon	0005-22-6100-000-29280	\$100.76	C

Hickenbottom	0001-22-6110-000-44143	\$1,039.70	C
Hickenbottom	0001-22-6110-000-44143	\$88.57	C
Hewitts Center	0001-22-6110-000-21942	\$220.90	C
Theisens	0001-22-6110-000-21942	\$31.97	C
Walmart	0001-22-6100-000-29139	\$35.06	C
Ace Hardware	0001-22-6110-000-44143	\$209.00	C
Earl May	0005-22-6100-000-29280	\$49.99	C
Walmart	0005-22-6100-000-29280	\$15.04	C
Theisens	0001-22-6100-000-29400	\$185.98	C
Theisens	0001-22-6110-000-21943	\$61.97	C
Theisens	0001-22-6110-000-29000	\$130.18	C
Theisens	0001-22-6110-000-29000	\$29.98	C
Menards	0028-22-0210-000-60000	\$377.35	C
Menards	0028-22-0210-000-60000	\$287.00	C
Menards	0001-22-6110-000-29000	\$218.48	C
Amazon	0001-22-6100-000-29139	\$33.98	C
Amazon	0001-22-6100-000-29539	\$314.97	C
Amazon	0001-22-6100-000-29139	\$37.09	C
Menards	0001-22-6110-000-63700	\$59.49	C
NAPA	0001-22-6110-000-63700	\$38.95	C
Blooming Prairie Nursery	0005-22-6100-000-29280	\$271.92	C
Wal Mart	0001-22-6100-000-29139	\$12.84	C
Amazon	0005-22-6110-000-29280	\$19.95	C
Amazon	0005-22-6110-000-29280	\$81.94	C
Theisens	0001-22-6110-000-21942	\$21.85	C
Theisens	0028-22-0210-000-60000	\$131.97	C
Theisens	0001-22-6100-000-25400	\$56.47	C
Theisens	0001-22-6100-000-25400	\$59.98	C
Meta	0001-22-6100-000-40000	\$75.00	C
Meta	0001-22-6100-000-40000	\$4.56	C
Canva	0001-22-6100-000-40000	\$14.99	C
Napa	0001-22-6110-000-25400	\$119.97	C
Menards	0028-22-0210-000-60000	\$398.75	C
Wal Mart	0001-22-6100-000-29139	\$10.94	C
Amazon	001-22-6110-000-44542	\$74.57	C
Wal Mart	0001-22-6100-000-29139	\$160.53	C
Jasper Construction Services	0028-22-0210-000-60000	\$214.97	C
Monarch Watch	0001-22-6100-000-29139	\$15.00	C
Theisens	0028-22-0210-000-60000	\$17.97	C
Theisens	0028-22-0210-000-60000	\$89.98	C
Hawkeye Lock	0001-22-6110-000-44142	\$314.32	C

Total

\$643,531.81

Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF DIGITAL TRANSACTIONS-** Tabled until July meeting

**DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

A written naturalist report was distributed, and a report was given by Ratliff.

**OPEN PUBLIC HEARING ON THE CONSTRUCTION OF PHASE 2 OF THE NATURE CENTER- ACTION 25-89.** Motion by Herbold, second by Stone to open the public hearing regarding the construction of Phase 2 (Geisler Penquite Land Stewardship Lab) of the Nature Center. Motion carried unanimously.

**CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE CONSTRUCTION OF PHASE 2 OF THE NATURE CENTER- ACTION 25-90.** No public comments were received by any board members or at the public hearing. Motion by Herbold, second by Stone to close the public hearing regarding the construction of Phase 2 (Geisler Penquite Land Stewardship Lab) of the Nature Center. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF PLANS AND SPECIFICATION OF PHASE 2 OF THE NATURE CENTER- ACTION 25-91.** Van Zante presented plans and specifications that will be posted on the county website for bidding for the Phase 2 nature center project. Bids will be due July 10 and will be opened at a public Conservation Board meeting on July 15 at 8:30am. Motion by Herbold, second by Stone to approve the plans and specifications for phase 2 of the nature center. Motion carried unanimously.

**MARIPOSA SEPTIC BID- ACTION 25-92.** Sealed bids were requested for the septic systems at the Mariposa shop and for the 2<sup>nd</sup> cabin, all as one project. Bids received from Harthoorn Underground \$13,000, Jason Dop \$13,650 plus permit, Trunnel Excavating \$15,850, Rogers Septic \$15,972, and EWI \$20,874. Motion by Herbold, second by Stone to accept the low bid from Harthoorn Underground for the septic at the Mariposa shop and for the Mariposa 2<sup>nd</sup> cabin for \$13,000. Motion carried unanimously.

**SKIDLOADER PURCHASE- ACTION 25-93.** A skid loader purchase was approved by the Board of Supervisors in the amount of \$140,061.12 for a 2025 Caterpillar 275 XE from Ziegler. Motion by Herbold, second by Stone to approve the purchase of the Caterpillar 275 XE from Ziegler for \$140,061.12. Motion carried unanimously.

**Foreman Property.** The Vermeer family has inquired about purchasing the Foreman Property, which their property surrounds. Board members will take a trip to the property to take a look before any decisions are made.

**Other.** Peters and Van Gelder asked for an explanation about the schedule for the construction of the Red Rock Prairie Trail Phase 2. Van Zante will email them the current schedule with DOT and the engineer.

**Board Member Concerns.** Nothing identified.

**ADJOURNMENT- ACTION 25-94.** With no further business appearing, motion by Friedman second by Stone that the meeting adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT – 9:38 a.m.**

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Chris Herbold, Secretary