

Wayne County Conservation Board
Regular Board Meeting for
December 9, 2024

WAYNE COUNTY AUDITOR

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MINUTES-DECEMBER

A. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 6.00 PM by Tom Rockhold, Chairman

B. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Tom R__X__Lance via phone__ Marty_X__Garrett_X_Don X_Tim_X__
Kenny_X__Linda__X_and Anna A.(new naturalist).

Guest or Public: Savanna from Corydon Times Republican was present to take notes from the meeting. Were happy to have Anna Anderson, our new Naturalist present. We all look forward to working with her.

C. READING & APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

November minutes were approved as presented. Motion to approve by Rockhold .
Motion for second by Seams. Motion Carried. All ayes

D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION & COMMUNICATION: Continuing Winter Projects:

1. City of Corydon playground area. 2. Need snow for overseeding of grass seed in bare areas. 3. Leaf clean up by community service personnel. 4. Finishing touches to complete Wayne Community Foundation grant for February filing date, Estimated \$40,000 dollars on application for CLP restroom. 5. Parks and Recreation committee has lots of improvement ideas for Wayne County to consider. 6. Received a \$1,500 donation from Redeemed Center to use as needed.

E. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion to approve agenda by Rockhold . Second by Abel. Motion carried. All ayes

F. REPORTS:

1. Director – Kenny Banks; director report; Ronnie Guthrie working three days a week with Kenny. Banks reported they are now working winter schedule with 3 parks closed, mowing done and winter winterizing done. Put tenders on all batteries for the winter. This extends the life of batteries.
2. Assistant Director – Brittany Snow; office/maintenance report: printed copies for meeting
3. Naturalist – Reports starting in January. Anna has started attending classrooms and reaching out to teachers.
Gaul made motion to approve all reports. Seams made the second. Motion carried.
All ayes.

G. APPROVAL OF BILLS: Lange made the motion to approve the bills. Nickel made the second. Motion carried. All ayes.

Monthly claims were submitted for payment. Claims list for month signed by Rockhold-WCCB Chairman.

H. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Winter work scheduled projects:

- a. Grinding stumps at parks as weather permits
- b. (BWP) Started working on camp pads @ BW as time and weather allow
Have received rock for pads and cut several ash trees
Have been clearing brush @ BW campground and roadway
Burn piles @ BWP waiting for snow
- c. (CLP) Leaf removal @ CLP
Cleaning up use areas and roadsides
(LSP) Burn piles @LSP waiting for snow

2. Completed projects from schedule:

- d. All campgrounds & shower houses are closed.
 - e. Power and water are off at CLP, LSP and MGP.
 - f. Power is off at BWP now
Water leak @BWP fixed
Brushy area north of playground @ BWP cleared and cleaned
Campground @BWP will be closed at end of current deer season
 - g. Winterized all equipment and vehicles
3. Unfinished office issues:
Working with Michelle @Auditors office to get bill from Interstate Bank credit card bill available for claims before due date.
Printer-copy machine tech needed to correct coloring issue on printed copies

4. NEW BUSINESS:

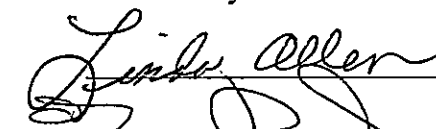
- A. Fencing project @Medicine area for Dean Alley:
Dozer work bid was submitted at last meeting and approved. This project is on hold until at least spring due to car accident by Dean Alley son. He is currently in rehab at Chicago, Ill. Alley had to leave his cows in area needing to be repaired and won't move them till spring. Therefor this project is on hold.
 - B. Cleaned taxidermy mounts @ shop and rearranged items in the office.
Pulled out all the naturalist programs and supplies with Anna, so they could be organized.
 - C. Broken gate post @ Hill 95 is on list to fix.
 - D. Kenny, Brittany and Anna have enrolled for Winterfest on January 28th, 29th and 30th.
This is a Continuing Education program for Conservation employees.
 - E. Don Seams and Tim Gaul, (new Board members), updated their phone numbers and cell phone numbers for Wayne County Courthouse and WCCB Secretary.
5. Open Forum Items/Discussion/Notes

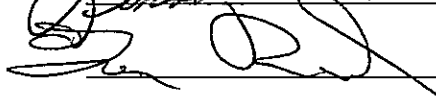
1. Diane Olson Schroeder dropped off a \$150 dollar cash donation from a former student of Lorena Blount. Dr. Ashley Snook Downs was inspired by Lorena in the classroom on Earth Day. She developed a multiple use salve of natural ingredients and sold it. She said they just didn't observe Earth Day. they lived it.
2. Seams reported he took a logger to CLP to look at the 200 trees marked for removal. Seams, a former shop teacher, noted several trees are a 1 or 2 grade. The first bid of \$1800. put out was rejected, due to much lower bid than last years. Seams has been making inquiries and stated an average bid is around 40 cents a board foot minus expenses which then amounts to 10 cents a board foot paid out. He has other inquiries out he is waiting to hear back on. He advised doing a waiting game and see what develops.

K. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Nickel at 6:43 PM. Abel made the second. Motion Carried.

All voted aye.

 Linda Allen, WCCB Secretary

 WCC Board Member

Next Regular Meeting January 13, 2025

Office/Maintenance Report

(December 10th, 2024 – January 13th, 2025)

- Input the claims into excel sheet
- Filed claims after writing them up
- Read e-mails
- Turned in claims when due into courthouse
- Took phone calls
- Wrote up list for monthly claims
- Worked on agenda and minutes for meeting
- Opened mail as it came in
- Retrieved claims from courthouse for board meeting
- Worked on bills w/ Kenny & Brittany
- Do timesheet promptly
- Put information in order for meeting
- Posted board meeting at office and on Facebook
- Cleaned office
- Work w/ Michelle; Auditor; & Amanda; Treasurer office
- Maintain Facebook page
 - Britt is working on updates
- Count camp money with Linda
- Cleaned the shop/put away tools
- Work w/ Kyle Jensen and Helga Offenburger IDNR
- Working w/Taylor & Stacy, City of Corydon, for grants, parks/rec.
 - Working on playground w/ City of Corydon
- Anna is maintaining the hives
- Leveling camp pads @ BW
- Picking up brush from cut down trees with skidder and black dump trailer
- Take meter reading on the first of month for Rathbun @ BW
- Clean white truck
- Grind stumps @ CLP & BW
 - Will continue throughout fall & winter as time & weather permit
- Cutting hazard trees
- Attended safety meeting
- Attended department head meeting
- Work on safety inspection sheet
- Still cleaning honeysuckle @ entrance to LSP
- Check all park areas and storage buildings
- Have had a lot of compliments on CLP & BW
- Working on grant for bathroom @ CLP
- Started to clean up behind campsites @ BW again
- Sharpened all chainsaw chains
- Burn the brush piles @ BW & LSP as soon as the first snow
- Fixed water leak @ BW
- Leaf removal @ CLP new playground
 - Took full dump trailer of leaves to burn pile
 - Over seed on snow
- Fixed gate post @ hill 95 & CLP west side entrance gate
- Need to put up repaired signs @ BW trail
- Clean in the shop
- City of Corydon ordered picnic table frames and will be delivered to the shop by Friday
- Cleaned in the shop
- Took calls regarding fuel wood salvage agreements
 - Filled out a few
- Cleaned up the tree line on the roadway to the boat ramp
- Removed old playground at the South shelter @ CLP
 - Removed all the boarder boards as well
 - Dumped the old parts and the boarder at the BW boneyard
- Repaired severed wires on the skid loader
- Turned in second check for the REAP account
- Turned refund check from GRM
- Called MFA to fill all fuel barrels
- Worked on the budget and turned it in
- Received a pallet of prairie seed
- Removed snow from roadway with first snowfall
- All hydraulic attachments for skid loader are in the back shed
- Bucket is on skid loader to prepare for next snowfall

-Kenny Banks, Brittany Snow

WCCB Naturalist Report (December 2024)

December 2024

Programs	Total
Public Program	
Seymour Library -Constellation Stories 12/3	6
Corydon Library – Constellation Stories 12/17	
Outreach	
Magical Beginnings – Constellation Stories 12/10	15
Corydon Headstart – Constellation Stories 12/10	13
Wayne Prek and Kindergarten – Constellation Stories 12/18	44
Private Program	
Murphy's Place – Constellation Stories 12/17	7
Corydon Specialty Care – Constellation Stories 12/20	18
Total People Reached	109

Other Tasks

1. Reach out to Schools, Libraries, previous private program locations
2. Prepare / plan public programs
3. Prepare/plan school programs
4. Scheduling with teachers
5. Organize naturalist materials
6. Remove and dismantle dead bee hive
7. Winterize bee hives
8. Set up recording system for turtle care, modified turtle tank

Coming Up in January:

Seymour Library 1/7
Magical Beginnings and Corydon Headstart 1/14
Wayne Elementary Programs 1/8 and 1/15
Seymour School Programs 1/16
Humeston Library 1/17
Corydon Specialty 1/17
Murphy's Place 1/21
Mormon Trail School Program 1/22
Winterfest 1/28-1/30



WAYNE COUNTY CONSERVATION MONTHLY EXPENDITURES

Month		DECEMBER		
Category	Bill-Vendor-Claim	Amount	ACCOUNT	Date Claim
Utilities	Alliant Energy Electric		0001-22-6110-000-43100	
	Clarke Electric	\$158.28	0001-22-6110-000-43100	
	Grundy Electric		0001-22-6110-000-43100	
	City of Corydon	\$34.31	0001-22-6110-000-43100	
	City of Lineville	\$28.00	0001-22-6110-000-43100	
	Rathbun Water	\$90.00	0001-22-6110-000-43100	
	GRM - Cellphones	\$150.88	0001-22-6110-000-41400	
Maintenance & Op	C & E	\$120.00	0001-22-6110-000-44300	
	Allerton Lumber	\$4.47	0001-22-6110-000-44300	
	L & W Electric		0001-22-6110-000-44300	
	Gambles	\$7.98	0001-22-6110-000-29000	
	Johnston Repair		0001-22-6110-000-44300	
	Snider Backhoe		0001-22-6110-000-44300	
	ULINE		0001-22-6110-000-23200	
	Cantera Aggregates		0001-22-6110-000-21200	
	CarQuest	\$73.23	0001-22-6110-000-29000	
	City of Corydon		0001-22-6110-000-29000	
Fuel-Misc	MFA-Fuel/Gas		0001-22-6110-000-25000	
	MFA-Propane		0001-22-6110-000-44300	
First Interstate Bank	*Adobe *C-Card	\$21.19	0001-22-6100-000-44400	
	WillyGoat	\$297.00	0001-22-6110-000-44100	
	Iowa Association of Co.	\$390.00	0001-22-6100-000-42200	
	Amazon	\$87.99	0001-22-6100-000-26000	
	Amazon	\$43.61	0001-22-6100-000-37300	
Office	Wayne Co. Papers		0001-22-6100-000-40000	
	Dollar General	\$10.50	0001-22-6100-000-26000	
	Dollar General	\$71.00	0001-22-6110-000-23200	
	Dollar General	\$59.45	0001-22-6100-000-37300	
	Petty Cash*			
Miscellaneous	Jensen Design		0001-22-6100-000-26000	
	Brittany Snow-C-card*		0001-22-6110-000-32400	
	Anna Anderson	\$52.15	0002-22-6120-000-32400	
	Yoder Precast-Pk Blocks		0001-22-6100-000-64400	
	Ziegler Cat-Service		0001-22-6110-000-64000	
	TOTAL	\$1,700.04		

Ref-Rep:LA-WCCB TOTAL \$1,700.04

Director Signature

WCCB Member

DATE: