

Wayne County Conservation Board
Regular Board Meeting for
July 14, 2025
Postponed to July 21, 2025

A. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 6:00 PM by Tom Rockhold, Chairman

B. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Tom R_X__Lance __Marty__X__Garrett__Don_X__Tim__
Kenny_X__Linda__Brittany_X__.

Guest or Public:

Update memo :

C. READING & APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

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

D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION & COMMUNICATION:

1. Jed Wiltamuth has finished the fence project at Medicine Creek Wildlife Area. It looks great at Dean is very happy with it. 2. Work with Sheriff's Office for community service workers. There are 4 more to serve time. One has eight hours left. One is working at the fair. Two more are still to start. 3. Working with contractors for bathroom at Corydon Lake Park. Kenny called Jared about getting started as soon as possible. Just need water and electric done. Might look into calling Henry and Harvey to get started earlier with a generator. 4. Cicco still hasn't started. The area is cleared of stumps to start. 5. Got everything lined out for County Fair. Brittany and Anna were setting up the booth at the Fairgrounds on the 22nd.

E. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion to approve agenda by Seams. . Second by Nickell. Motion carried. All ayes

F. REPORTS:

1. Director – Kenny Banks; director report;

Update: There was only 1 camper at Corydon Lake Park over the 4th. Lower camping rates over all 4 parks as well over the 4th.

2. Assistant Director – Brittany Snow; office/maintenance report: printed copies for meeting. Took minutes at the meeting

3. Naturalist – Anna Anderson; April report:

Update: See attached report of programs

Nickell made motion to approve all reports. Seams made the second. Motion carried. All ayes.

G. APPROVAL OF BILLS: Seams made the motion to approve the bills. Nickell 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. Scheduled projects:

- a. Grinding stumps at CLP as weather permits.
 - i. Finished more stumps @ CLP
- b. Shop roof and house roof revisited
 - i. Banks is wanting to wait until the bathroom project is going to make sure that the funds are there.

I. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Jed is done with Dean's fence
- b. Going to look at Loris Nickell's fence soon
- c. Cinder Path
 - i. No update
- d. NEW VEHICLE
 - i. Have the new Subaru
 - ii. Received titles and keys
 - 1. Waiting on the tags
- e. Picked up 4 sets of new blades for mowers, anti-scalp wheels, and a drive belt
- f. New Gravely mower
 - i. Looked at Palmers. New ones are \$17,500. There is a used one with 180 hours for \$12,500. Both new ones at Palmer are EF5. If we were to trade one of the 460s, we would be left with one mower with the leaf bagger. The leaf bagger we have does not fit on the 660 mowers. Will look into trading the #1 mower in and possibly getting another bagger for the 460 #5 mower.
- g. 4th of July Weekend totals:
 - i. Camping: \$5,480
 - ii. Donations: \$31
 - iii. Shelter: \$0
 - 1. Total: \$5,511

J. Open Forum Items/Discussion/Notes


- 1. ByHeart is looking to rent out the campground for 1 day in August to have a family day for all of their employees. There would be bounce houses and food trucks. Looking at August 20th, August 21st, or August 22nd. Would be cleaned up and gone by 6 p.m. Board asked to push for either the 20th or the 21st for the day to make sure if people wanted to camp on the weekend, they would still be able to come in on Friday the 22nd. Seams made a motion to approve \$600 for a day. Nickell made the second. Motion carried. All ayes.

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K. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Nickell at __6:51__ PM. Seams made the second. Motion Carried. All voted aye

 Linda Allen, WCCB Secretary

 WCC Board Member

Next Regular Meeting August 11, 2025

Office/Maintenance Report

(July 22nd, 2025 – August 11th, 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 and Anna are working on updates
 - Collect camp money
 - Do trash rounds @ all parks
 - 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.
 - 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 summer 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
 - Sharpened all chainsaw chains
 - Need to put up repaired signs @ BW trail
 - Clean in the shop
 - Called MFA to fill all fuel barrels
 - Push up burn pile @ BW
 - Change water in turtle tank
 - Picking up sticks and debris in all campgrounds
 - Took calls for shelter rentals
 - Oil filter change on G1, G2, & G4
 - Mowing grass weekly @ new playground @ CLP as well as the campground and both shelters
 - New Community Service workers
 - Maple tree @ MG with wound
 - Mowing and trimming parks weekly
 - Trying to keep up with mowing and trimming with all the rain
 - Start priming parks for old settlers CLP
 - Mowed timber @ CLP and the shoreline, dam, and roadway up to campground
 - Anna started mowing on the trails @ BW
 - Removed down trees from storms
 - Change pulley on G1 mower
 - Move trash can to new playground @ CLP
 - Beach has been closed
 - High E-Coli
 - 4 weeks total
- ## New this month
- Update on bathroom project
 - Cicco hopefully to start soon
 - Maybe need plan B
 - IDNR shocking @ BW to check population since fish kill
 - IDNR set traps and hoops and shocked @ BW
 - Down to 1 hives
 - Hive beetles on one
 - The other two unsure
 - Anna is maintaining
 - Herbicide?
 - Community service workers cleaned and dusted in the shop
 - Put tags on Subaru
 - Working on seed for success grant for Cinder Path
 - Schedule time to look @ Loris's fence
 - Purchase & install new battery on the ranger
 - Spoke w/ Bruce IDNR about spraying lake
 - Working w/ Jerren Sears with Fish & Wildlife for grant for MCWA
 - Spray north side of shop
 - TREADING WATER

-Kenny Banks, Brittany Snow

WCCB Naturalist Report

July 2025

Programs	Total
Public Program	
7/1 Seymour Library – Kayaking	11
7/11 Humeston Library – Painted Turtle	2
7/15 Corydon Library – Painted Turtle	1
7/22-7/27 Wayne County Fairgrounds – Booth Interaction	288
7/25 Wayne County Fairgrounds – Seed Bombs	21
7/31 Bob White State Park – Lily pad Kayaking	4
Outreach	
7/8 Magical Beginnings – Painted Turtle	13
Private	
7/15 Murphy's Place – Predicting Weather with Clouds	10
7/18 Corydon Specialty Care – Predicting Weather with Clouds	3
Total People Reached	350

Other Tasks

1. Prepare / plan public programs
2. Planning future school programs, school programs concluded in May
3. Mowing Trails
4. Dismantled dead bee hives – only one hive occupied now, and dealing with hive beetles
5. Meeting with Project Wingspan coordinator – applied for free seed (would be most suitable for small area such as a pollinator garden at Corydon Lake)
6. Meeting with Parks and Rec – discussed future projects they would like Conservation input on, namely the Van Terry Outdoor Classroom
7. Facebook updates
8. Conducted Acoustic Bat Monitoring with Appanoose County in collaboration with Iowa State Research
9. Campground rounds, counting camp receipts
10. Attended virtual Seminar with Iowa Public Health Services and DNR on new statewide campaign regarding bats, the environment, and rabies

Coming up in August:

Schools (Outreach):

8/12 – Magical Beginnings – Clouds

Private:

8/19 – Murphy's Place – Native Flowers Blooming

8/15 – Corydon Specialty Clinic – Native Flowers Blooming

8/21 – Bobwhite Campground – Byheart Family Day

Public:

8/5 – Seymour Library – Clouds

8/22 – Humeston Library – Kayaking Lakeside Park

8/19 – Corydon Library – Painted Turtles (Was unattended last month, trying again)



WAYNE COUNTY CONSERVATION MONTHLY EXPENDITURES

Month	July-2025			
Category	Bill-Vendor-Claim	Amount	ACCOUNT	Date Claim
Utilities	Alliant Energy		0001-22-6110-000-43100	
	Clarke Electric		0001-22-6110-000-43100	
	Grundy Electric		0001-22-6110-000-43100	
	Alliant Energy		0001-22-6110-000-43100	
	City of Lineville		0001-22-6110-000-43100	
	Rathbun Water		0001-22-6110-000-43100	
	City of Corydon		0001-22-6110-000-43100	
	GRM - Cellphones	\$150.63	0001-22-6110-000-41400	07/03/25
Maintenance & Op	C & E	\$240.00	0001-22-6110-000-44300	07/03/25
	Jed Wiltamuth	\$2,646.75	0001-22-6110-000-44300	07/17/25
	Jed Wiltamuth	\$2,000.00	0001-22-6110-000-44100	07/17/25
	Goben Automotive	\$1,218.53	0001-22-6110-000-29000	07/14/25
	Corydon Plb & Heat		0001-22-6110-000-29000	
	Palmer Power	\$544.00	0001-22-6110-000-44300	07/17/25
	Palmer Power		0001-22-6110-000-29000	
Fuel-Misc	MFA-Fuel/Gas	\$1,232.20	0001-22-6110-000-25000	07/03/25
Office				
	IA Natural Heritage	\$50.00	0001-22-6100-000-48000	07/03/25
	ICCS Dues	\$1,100.00	0001-22-6100-000-48000	07/03/25
First Interstate Bank				
	Amazon		0001-22-6110-000-44300	
	Uline	\$259.50	0001-22-6110-000-23200	07/17/25
	Casey's		0001-22-6100-000-25000	
	Petty Cash		0001-22-6100-000-37300	
Miscellaneous	Uline		0001-22-6110-000-23200	
	*Adobe *c-Card		0001-22-6100-000-44400	
	Petty Cash		0001-22-6110-000-32400	
	Dollar General		0001-22-6110-000-23200	
	TOTAL			

Ref-Rep:LA-WCCB **TOTAL** \$9,441.61

Director Signature DIRECTOR

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DATE: 8-11-2025