

Wayne County Conservation Board
Regular Board Meeting for
February 10, 2025

MINUTES-FEBRUARY

A. CALL TO ORDER

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

B. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Tom R_ X_ Lance _ X_ Marty ___ Garrett_ X_ Don _ X_ Tim _ X_
Kenny _ X_ Linda _ X_.

Guest or Public: Savannah Banks from Corydon Times Republican was present to take notes from the meeting.

C. READING & APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

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

D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION & COMMUNICATION: **Continuing Winter Projects:**

1. City of Corydon playground area and new bathroom **2.** Finishing touches to complete Wayne Community Foundation grant for February 20th filing date, estimated \$40,000 dollars on application for CLP restroom. **Update:** Water and electric addition will be around \$25,000 more to bore underground. Banks to get estimate of feet to bore. Cost is \$7.00 a ft. It might be around 800 ft. **3.** Took Ross Blount \$150 donation for Lorena.

E. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

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

F. REPORTS:

1. Director – Kenny Banks; director report;

Update: CLP bought new blue accessible picnic tables for there park.

Banks to anchor them in place. Old playground removed. They are working on removing grass from beach area at BWP. Clapham and Henley both asked about hosting at MGP. Banks told them to get app forms at BWP, fill out and return. Benjamin wants BWP. No inquiries to CLP or LSP. Banks has prairie grass seed.

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

3. Naturalist – Anna Anderson; January report:

Update: See attached report. Gave three library programs, five school programs and two private programs for 624 people.

Lange_ made motion to approve all reports. Abel made the second. Motion carried. All ayes.

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

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

H. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Winter work scheduled projects:

- a. Grinding stumps at parks as weather permits, cutting dead ash trees and clearing along roadways.
- b. Issuing wood permits
- c. Burn piles @ BWP & LSP
- d. (LSP) Burn piles waiting for snow
- e. Fencing agreement with Dean Alley revisited
- f. Shop roof and house roof revisited

2. Completed projects from schedule:

Update: burnt the brush pile @ BW on February 5th

- Brittany and Anna attended Winterfest; Kenny was unable to attend

a. Unfinished Office and Maintenance issues:

Office:

A1. Printer- ordering new printer; Chase is getting a figure
Interstate Credit bill now arrives before past due date.

I. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Still working on grants for new bathroom @ CLP, should be completed this week.

Update: What amount is the board comfortable for matching funds? Will revisit when estimates come in.

- b. Talking w/ City of Corydon about new electric and water, was suggested to question going deeper.

Update: \$25,000 for new water line and electric; add to grant

- c. Burn piles @ LSP as soon as it snows
- d. Will over seed prairie and playground as soon as we have enough snow
- e. UTV Trail @ MCWA: Was some more discussion. Still need more information.
- f. Working on budget

Update: Completed and turned in. Met with the supervisors to go over budget

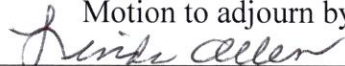
- g. Annual Report: Hope to finish this week.
- h. Cinder Path: The Cinder path needs to be renovated and upgraded before any definite plans can be made.
- i. NEW VEHICLE: Dooley suggested using leftover money, Naturalist needs better than Tahoe. Banks explained a lot of that is needed to operate at beginning of new fiscal.

Open Forum Items/Discussion/Notes

1. Linda's Campground Revenue Report: Will put with Annual report to review.
2. Maude Conkity is interested in possibly getting a memorial bench near the beach @ BW
3. Nature Center suggestions. Banks like format of Lucas County Pin Oak, maybe locate at Hill 95 or in West fishing park area.
4. Lake Renovation project is just a pipe dream as the DNR forgets southern Iowa is here and there hard to work with.

K. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Seams at 6.52 PM. Abel made the second. Motion Carried. All voted aye

 Linda Allen, WCCB Secretary

 WCC Board Member

Next Regular Meeting March 10, 2025



WAYNE COUNTY CONSERVATION MONTHLY EXPENDITURES

Month	February			
Category	Bill-Vendor-Claim	Amount	ACCOUNT	Date Claim
Utilities	Alliant Energy Electric		0001-22-6110-000-43100	
	Clarke Electric	\$153.91	0001-22-6110-000-43100	
	Grundy Electric		0001-22-6110-000-43100	
	City of Corydon		0001-22-6110-000-43100	
	City of Lineville		0001-22-6110-000-43100	
	Rathbun Water	\$72.00	0001-22-6110-000-43100	
	GRM - Cellphones	\$149.22	0001-22-6110-000-41400	
Maintenance & Op	C & E	\$240.00	0001-22-6110-000-44300	
	Allerton Lumber	\$217.05	0001-22-6110-000-44100	
	L & W Electric	\$250.00	0001-22-6110-000-44300	
	Gambles	\$57.98	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	\$422.14	0001-22-6110-000-25400	
Fuel-Misc	City of Corydon		0001-22-6110-000-29000	
	MFA-Fuel/Gas	\$1,360.02	0001-22-6110-000-25000	
	MFA-Propane	\$901.04	0001-22-6110-000-25000	
First Interstate Bank	*Adobe *C-Card	\$21.19	0001-22-6100-000-44400	
	IOWRC Hyatt Conf. Cent.	\$515.40	0023-22-6110-000-41900	
	Iowa Association of Co.		0001-22-6100-000-42200	
	Amazon	\$40.30	0001-22-6100-000-26000	
	Amazon		0001-22-6100-000-37300	
Office	Wayne Co. Papers		0001-22-6100-000-40000	
	Dollar General	\$5.50	0001-22-6100-000-26000	
	Dollar General		0001-22-6110-000-23200	
	Dollar General		0001-22-6100-000-37300	
	Petty Cash*			
Miscellaneous	Jensen Design		0001-22-6100-000-26000	
	Brittany Snow	\$81.13	0023-22-6110-000-41900	
	Anna Anderson	\$77.26	37300 / 41900	
	Yoder Precast-Pk Blocks		0001-22-6100-000-64400	
	Kenny Banks			
	Ziegler Cat-Service		0001-22-6110-000-64000	
	TOTAL	\$4,564.14		

Ref-Rep:LA-WCCB **TOTAL** \$4,564.14

Director Signature *[Signature]*

WCCB Member *[Signature]*

DATE: 3/10/25

Office/Maintenance Report

(February 11th, 2025 – March 10th, 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
- Count camp money with Linda after parks open
- 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.
 - Over seed new playground
- 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
- Submitted grant for bathroom @ CLP
- Started to clean up behind campsites @ BW again
- Sharpened all chainsaw chains
- Burn the brush piles @ BW, LSP & MG
- Leaf removal @ CLP new playground
- Need to put up repaired signs @ BW trail
- Clean 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
- 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
- Push up burn pile @ BW
- Annual Report for 23-24
 - Completed first draft
- Change water in turtle tank
- Spoke with DNR Biologist
- Vandalism at beach area
 - Tore up the grass
- Give hunter information on Medicine Creek
- Put up a post on Facebook for Camp Host @ parks
- Met with Skylar Hobbs; Director LCCB, about their process for Nature Center
- Adding rock to parking area @ BW
- Have been accepting applications for camp host
- Need to fix hydrant @ BW Shop
- Had the sewer cleaned out (maybe cut trees)
 - Treat sewer line @ BW w/ copper sulfate
- Cut more trees @ Hill 95
- Assembled new tables for CLP
- Repaired tables for LSP
- Continually rotate batteries on tender
- Ordered more picnic table bolts
- Need to remove old playground @ BW campground
- Picking up sticks and debris is all campgrounds
- Replaced battery on the big generator
- Anna overseeded prairie mix on the prairie @ BW
- Remove deer from roadway in front of BW
- Straightened fence in front of the house
- Had new printer installed
 - Took out the hard drive
 - INFOMAX took the old printer

-Kenny Banks, Brittany Snow

WCCB Naturalist Report

February 2025

Programs	Total
Public Program	
2/4 Seymour Library – Iowa Furs, Mammals and Trapping History	8
2/21 Humeston Library – Constellations	Cancelled
2/18 Corydon Library – Iowa Furs, Mammals and Trapping History	4
Outreach	
Rescheduled 2/13 Seymour – Furs, Mammals	Cancelled
2/11 Corydon Headstart – Furs, Mammals	16
2/12 and 2/19 Wayne – Furs, Mammals and Trapping History	310
2/11 Magical Beginnings – Furs, Mammals	14
2/26 Mormon Trail – Furs, Mammals and Trapping History	145
Private	
2/25 Corydon Rotary Club – Wayne County Conservation	7
2/18 Murphy's Place – Wayne County Conservation History	9
2/21 Corydon Specialty Care – Iowa Furs	Cancelled
Total People Reached	513

Other Tasks

1. Prepare / plan public programs
2. Plan / Prepare School Programs
3. Turtle Care and tank cleaning
4. Monitoring honeybees
5. Spread prairie seed at Bob White Prairie
6. Other maintenance and office work

Unfortunately, a lot of snow days and the flu going around ended up cancelling two days of programs and disrupting a couple of days of school programs. Wayne Elementary I was able to get rescheduled, but Seymour Elementary unfortunately got cancelled twice by snow/ice and was unable to get rescheduled.

Upcoming Programs on back

Coming Up in March:

Schools:

- 3/6 – Seymour – Furs And Iowa History (Due to missing in February)
- 3/11 – Magical Beginnings – Tracks and Tracking
- 3/11 – Corydon Headstart – Tracks and Tracking
- 3/12 – Wayne – Tracks and Tracking
- 3/19 – Wayne – Tracks and Tracking

3/26 – Mormon Trail -- Tracks and Tracking

Private:

- 3/18 – Murphy’s Place – Track Bookmarks
- 3/21 – Corydon Specialty Clinic – Furs and Trapping History

Public:

- 3/4 – Seymour Library – Tracks and Tracking Guides
- 3/21 – Humeston Library – Furs
- 3/18 – Corydon Library – Tracks and Tracking Guides

- 3/27 – Bob White – Beeswax Lotion Bars