

Iowa County Conservation Board
Meeting Minutes
February 9th, 2021
6:30pm
Hybrid Meeting Nature Center or via the Link Below

<https://meet.google.com/xbz-emfe-mba>

1. Chris Montross called the regular meeting of the Iowa County Conservation Board to order at 6:36pm at the Lake Iowa Nature Center.

Members of the Iowa County Conservation Board present were: Chris Montross, Becky Birch, Justin Parsons, Roes Danaher (virtually) and Shane Phillips (virtually). ICC Staff present were Chris Anderson and Mary Bulger. Members of public present from Scout Troop 225 were Ian Phillips, Jubal Clapp, Blake and Kyle Rickard, Logan White (virtually).

2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Open Forum
 - (A) Public Comment: no public comments
 - (B) Board Comment: New conservation board member Becky Birch was introduced, and welcomed by all. Phillips let the all present at the meeting that some of the scout troop 225 members were attending virtually because they were working on a citizenship badge. Montross had a member of the public complain to him about something at the recent ice fishing tournament.
4. Motion by Parsons to approve the January meeting minutes, second by Danaher, all in favor, meeting minutes approved.
5. Motion to approve payment of the bills by Danaher, seconded by Parsons, all in favor, payment of the bills approved.
6. Anderson reported that there was a glitch with the February staff task tracking sheets, and he would get them out to the board this week.
7. Business
 - (A) Friends of ICCB: Bulger reported FICCF have raised close to \$8000 in their end of the year letter drive, and they have decided not to have a spring FICCF banquet.
 - (B) ICCB Properties

- a. Nature Center displays update: Bulger updated the board about the nature center displays that were installed that day. She gave a tour and talked about the details of each display piece.
- b. Gateway Camping Update: Anderson gave an update to the board about the proposed camping that will go into Gateway Park. He had handed out detailed proposal plans of the layout and pricing estimated from one person. He shared details about pricing for full-hookup sites vs. having a dump station at the campground. Board members asked questions and gave thoughts about both options.
- c. Director and Ranger residences: Parsons shared that next month was March and it would be time for the annual walk through of the Director and Ranger residences.

(C) Events - Public Programs -

- a. Bulger share with the board about the virtual and in person programming she had been presenting. As well as some of the upcoming programs including:
 - i. The Great Backyard Bird Count – February 14th
 - ii. Winter Survival Skills – February 21st
 - iii. Owl Prowl – March 12th
- b. Anderson shared with the board details about the very successful January 30th Ice Fishing Tournament and Clinic that the Ranger had held. It was very well attended, and many good comments were heard from the public.

8. Scheduling of Next Meeting 6:30pm March 9th, 2021.

9. Motion to adjournment at 7:25pm made by Danaher, seconded by Birch.