

The Tama County Conservation Board met in regular session on Wednesday, May 2, 2018, at the Tama County Nature Center, Otter Creek Lake & Park. The meeting was called to order by Chair Keenan at 7 p.m.. Members present were: Adolphs, Atchison, Graff, Keenan and Wrage. Also present: Etzel and Wise.

Minutes from the regular session of April 4, 2018, were read. It was moved by Adolphs, seconded Atchison to accept the minutes as read, carried. (All voting aye)

The following bills were presented:

<b>TO BE PAID FROM GEN'L FUND</b>		<b>Amount of Bill</b>	<b>Category Total</b>
<b>0001-22-6100-100-661 Salary- Director</b>			
Etzel, Robert	6-Apr-18	2,049.25	
	20-Apr-18	<u>2,049.25</u>	
		4,098.50	4,098.50
<b>0001-22-6100-000-40000 Publications &amp; Notices</b>			
Tama Grundy Publishing	Advertising- seasonal help weeks of 7 & 14Mar, CWA- crop lease ad	395.63	395.63
<b>0001-22-6100-000-41200 Postage</b>			
Etzel, Robert	As per three receipts	2.47	2.47
<b>0001-22-6100-000-41400 Telephone</b>			
Verizon	1Apr18 484-2231 (office)	16.03	
Windstream	18Apr18, 484-2231 (office)	78.27	
	18Apr18, 484-5314 (shop)	60.31	
	19Dec17, 484-2231 (office)	78.26	
	19Dec18, 484-5314 (shop)	<u>59.94</u>	
		276.78	276.78
<b>0001-6110-100-22-223 Salary- Main Supervisor</b>			
Wise, Craig	6-Apr-18	1,806.40	
	20-Apr-18	<u>1,806.40</u>	
		3,612.80	3,612.80
<b>Salary- Conserv Tech/Park Ranger</b>			
Ryan Rieger	6-Apr-18	1,551.20	
	20-Apr-18	<u>1,551.20</u>	
		3,102.40	3,102.40
<b>Salary- Naturalist/Park Ranger</b>			
Roberts, Logan	6-Apr-18	1,551.20	
	20-Apr-18	<u>1,551.20</u>	
		3,102.40	3,102.40
<b>Salary- Seasonal</b>			
Bergmann, Sandi	20-Apr-18	79.75	79.75
	<b>TOTAL ALL MAINTENANCE PAYROLL</b>	9,897.35	
<b>0001-22-6110-000-25450 Mt Veh- Minor Repair</b>			
Central Iowa Farm Store	#R68010M oil filter(4), cartridge (2) Assy filter (2), blade (3)	146.34	
J&V Auto	#517092 spark plugs (6), fuel & oil filter, HD30 oil, fuel line, hyd oil	96.90	

		243.24	243.24
<b>0001-22-6110-000-29050</b>			
<b>Min Equip- hand tools</b>			
Menard's	#82389 folding sawhorse (2)	29.98	29.98
<b>0001-22-6110-000-29252</b>			
<b>Main &amp; Supplies</b>			
Ellenbecker Oil Co.	#73610 8 doz worms	24.00	
Etzel, Robert	Regis- Dist 1 mtg- Rieger, Wise @ \$10 ea	20.00	
Gempler's	#SI04142627 safety glasses, replacement lens	93.45	
Hrabak's Lumber	#002414 misc supplies- repair picnic tables	275.45	
Menard's	#82389 wire, nipples, breakers, etc., #81303 env ed supplies	173.56	
Poweshiek Water Assoc.	Water, OCP- West, 18Apr18, meter read, Prev: 1249K, Cur: 1250K, Used: 1K	41.50	
	Water, OCP- East, 18Apr18, meter read, Prev: 702K, Cur: 704K, Used: 2K	46.00	
	Water, OCP- Residence 18Apr18, meter read, Prev: 89K, Cur: 92K, Used: 3K	52.30	
	Water, TFCP 18Apr18, meter read Prev: 17K, Cur: 17K, Used: 0K	37.00	
Roberts, Logan	19Mar Blain's - chick starter, worm bedding; Walmart misc supplies- OWLS	24.89	
Schade Lime & Rock	15Mar18 haul rd stone- Manatt's 30.24T, tickets: 3090869, 3090879	196.56	
	15Mar18 haul rd stone McCoy Landing, ticket: 3090893	100.32	
Schendel Pest Control	#01-0213614 bi-monthly pest control	60.00	
Scharnweber Water Cond.	As per quote, 5 hydrants and 400' of waterline into North Loop camp area	3,978.50	
Shopko	#01989 end ed supplies, #9189 misc supplies- knee high naturalist	61.67	
Tama Co Highway Dept	#121007 Drug screen/breath alcohol- Wise	162.20	
Tama Toledo Ace	#014122 battery (AAA), paint, #013892 micro 3D, #014021 wheels, paint	66.21	
Ternus Electric	#39084 new water heater- showerhouse AO Smith GCR-50 LP, 50 gal	971.43	
VISA	TacticalGear.com Streamlight Stinger flashlights (2)	271.98	
	Menards.com anti-siphon sillcock (main residence)	46.20	
Wendling Quarries	#722560 396.89T 1" rd stone 16- 21Apr18, Tickets: 3093040, 3093045, 3093051, 3093056, 3093066, 3093069, 3093095, 3093119, 3093137, 3093153, 3093182, 3093198, 3093216, 3093234, 3093238, 3093255, 3093267, 3093281, 3093307, 3093398, 3093400, 3093434, 3093438, 3093471, 3093472, 3093543	4,028.43	
	#721857 1" rd stone, 106.07T, 11- 12Apr 3092639, 3092657, 3092700, 3092713	1,076.60	
	3092728, 3092769, 3092785		
		11,808.25	11,808.25
<b>0001-22-6110-000-43000</b>			
<b>LP Gas</b>			
New Century FS	31Mar18 251 gals @ \$1.3590/gal, main shop only	344.88	344.88
<b>0001-22-6110-000-43100</b>			
<b>Electricity</b>			
Grundy Co REC	OCP thru 1Apr18, 5,953 KWH- meter #1		

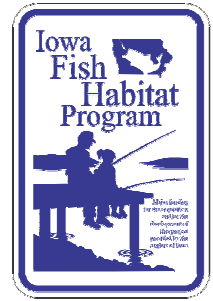
	Meter #2 (NC), 6,767 kwh		
	Monthly service chg	39.00	
	Energy chg	643.91	
	Aux meter	452.04	
	PCA Public Bldgs	-22.62	
	PCA Auxillary meter	-25.71	
	Security lights	28.00	
	Maintenance light	128.00	
Traer Municipal Utilities	TFCO thru 16Apr18, 83 KWH includes reconnect fee	110.31	
		1352.93	1,352.93
	<b>Total Bills Submitted, Gen'l Budget</b>		<b>\$ 28,450.01</b>
<b>FROM NATURE CENTER TRUST</b>			
<b>0031-22-6120-000-61094 Perm Imp</b>			
Fareway Stores	#00023193 supplies OWLS program	55.05	
My Mother's Place	7Apr18 Fun Night catering, 160 adult meals @ \$9 ea	1,440.00	
The University of Iowa	Fun Night- Shawn Hawks presentation	237.00	
	<b>Total Bills Submitted, Nature Center Trust</b>		<b>\$ 1,732.05</b>
<b>FROM LAD ACCOUNT</b>			
<b>0027-22-0210-000-60000 Capital Projects</b>			
Hrabak Lumber Co	Izaak Walton Shooting Facility- materials for portable shooting tables	476.09	
	#0022845, #003028		
	<b>Total Bills Submitted, LAD ACCOUNT</b>		<b>\$ 476.09</b>
	<b>Total All Bills Submitted</b>		<b>\$ 30,658.15</b>

Moved by Adolphs, seconded Atchison to approve bills as presented, carried. (All voting aye).

**Reports and Correspondence. Maintenance Report** Wise updated the Board on work started or completed during April. The work included: **Otter Creek Park and Hansen Addition** repair picnic tables, blade and gravel roads, mow Parcel C tree panting, set-up and clean afterwards- Fun Night for the Nature Center, Clean silt covers, prepare and open campgrounds, remove snow fence, open fish cleaning station/ **TF Clark Park** repair electrical pedestal, cut up downed tree. **/Naturalist Report** The monthly report for April drafted by Logan Roberts, Naturalist, was presented to the Board./ **Seasonal Staff** All seasonal positions have been filled. The Seasonal Park Ranger began work on April 18, the two seasonal conservation aides will start on May 7 & 14./**Fun Night for the Nature Center** A report on the event held on April 7 showed a net profit of \$4,700.88. The funds were placed into the Nature Center Trust Account and will be used for environmental education efforts and improvements of the Nature Center building./ **Izaak Walton Shooting Facility- (1) Signup Meetings** Etzel reported two signup meetings were held on Monday, April 9 at 7 p.m. and Saturday, April 14 at 8 a.m. at the Tama County Nature Center. He reported that the three meetings held since February have seen 101 people become authorized to use the facility. The Board discussed how to address those remaining to be signed up. One more meeting will be held with the hopes of picking the remaining people interested in shooting at the facility. **(2) Portable Shooting Benches** Atchison shared a project that he and Jim Allen had worked on together to provide portable shooting benches for use on the short range at the Izaak Walton Shooting Facility. The benches will allow shooters to shoot at shorter distances than the covered shooting station provides. Also, if firing from a standing position will provide something to set their guns and ammo upon. The Board thanked Atchison for his efforts. Authorized shooters have been notified of the portabls shooting stations and rules pertaining to their use./ **Emerald Ash Borer** An EAB workshop was held at the Nature Center on April 24.



**Fish Habitat Stamp Grant** Notice had been received that a Fish Habitat Stamp grant has been awarded to Tama County. The grant is to help fund cleaning of the #5 silt pond at Otter Creek Lake & Park. The total project cost is \$10,125 with the state share being \$7,500 and the county share: \$2,625. It is hoped that 1,500 cu. yd. of silt will be removed. After discussion it was moved by Wrage, seconded Graff to enter into an agreement with the Iowa DNR for Fish Habitat Stamp Grant #18-05F to remove silt from pond #5 at Otter Creek Lake and Park, carried. (all voting aye)



**Seed A Legacy Grant (Bee and Butterfly Habitat Fund)** Etzel reported that a grant submitted through the Seed A Legacy grant program has been successful. Tama County will be receiving native grass and forb seed at no cost to plant 17.4 acres at the Heritage Wetlands Wildlife Area. 50% of the planting will include seed to benefit bee populations while the remaining ½ of the field will be planted in a mix to benefit butterflies. It is estimated the value of the seed is around \$7,000.

**Shop Power Washer** A Hotsy power washer purchased in 2001 has failed recently. It is estimated the cost to repair the unit will run \$960. A quote for a new Hotsy power washer (2.2 gpm, 2 hp, electric motor) was relayed to the Board. After discussion it was moved by Wrage, seconded Atchison to purchase the new Hotsy power washer for \$3,540, carried. (All voting aye)

**Donated mount for Nature Center** Terry Hinegardner had approached Keenan regarding his desire to donate a mounted deer head with a large non-typical rack. After discussion the Board was in agreement the mount would be appropriate for display in the Nature Center.

After discussion of several conservation topics it was moved by Adolphs, seconded Graff to adjourn, carried. (all voting aye) Adjourned 8:00 p.m.

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