

Chickasaw County Conservation Board

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The Chickasaw County Conservation Board held its regular monthly meeting on March 1, 2022 at the Twin Ponds Nature Center. Members present: Ray Armbrecht, Lori Carey, JoAnne Myrsiades, and Mike Pickar by Phone and Director Chad Humpal. Employees present: Matt Crayne, Caleb Ciavarelli, Justin VanDriel. Guests present: None.

Armbrecht called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Agenda: Armbrecht asked for approval of the agenda.

Motion: Carey/Myrsiades

To approve the agenda as presented. (4 – 0 Allison absent)

Minutes: Armbrecht asked for approval of the minutes of the February 2, 2022 Board meetings.

Motion: Myrsiades/Carey

To approve the minutes of the February 2, 2022 Board meetings as presented. (4 – 0 Allison absent)

Claims: Claims for \$2,176.45 to be paid and claims in the amount of \$941.38 that were invoiced on 2-10-2022 were presented for review.

Motion: Carey/ Pickar

To approve claims for the amount of \$2,176.45 and \$941.38. (4 – 0 Allison absent)

Fiscal Year 2022-223Budget Proposal

Humpal discussed possible projects to come out of the County Betterment Fund (dock at Airport Lake) and Fish Habitat project at Airport Lake as well. Humpal is to get pricing on dock.

Bypass Basin Master Plan

Humpal reviewed the new proposed route for the Summit Carbon Pipeline through the east side of the property. Consensus was that the Board could work with the new route. The Conservation Board and staff have put together what they feel is a good five phase master plan. Plan is to be sent to Ritland and Kuiper for further development.

Seasonal Conservation Aide Position

Humpal informed the Board that the seasonal aide position has been posted until filled. It was agreed that if Humpal had an individual that he felt was qualified, then he would offer the position to the person. This gives us a better chance of getting a qualified individual.

Meeting this coming year

Humpal presented the meeting calendar for the remainder of the year. Consensus from the Board is that the dates were acceptable at this time and can be changed if needed.

April 4

May 2

June 6

July 6

August 1

September 7

October 3

November 7

December 5

New Conservation Website

Humpal reviewed the new county website that is being developed and asked if the board had anything they wanted to add to the site. At this time the board had no further additions.

Conservation Board Naming Policy

Board looked at the naming policy and has no concerns at this time.

Discuss Roof on Pump House at Split Rock

Samples of Decra metal shingles were looked at for the pump house at Split Rock Park. Ambrecht is going to present them to the Fredericksburg Lions Club to see if they are interested in helping with the project.

Friends Of Chickasaw County Conservation Update

Crayne and Humpal gave an update on the FCCC meeting that was held on February 28, 2022.

Continuing Projects

Nature Center Bear/Bison Display

Robin Macomber started working on the display again on March 1.

Timber Stand Improvement

Emma Kerns has submitted a plan. I will have a copy at meeting to look at. Ciavarelli and VanDriel have started tree removal and burning.

Haus Park Vortex Weir

Nothing to report at this time

Discuss Future agenda Items

Nothing new at this time

Crayne Report

Snowshoe program SFMS, Replacing light bulbs TPNC, Animals, Meeting on county website, SWCD meeting, SF elem. Program, Feed animals, Nashua Winterfest, Clean TPNC, Fred Lion’s Club, Kestrel Boxes, NH 3rd grade field trip, Ski & snow shoe program, Owl Prowl, IDNR grant program

Ciavarelli Report

Serviced and cleaned gators and skid, Plowed snow, Changed light Bulbs, website meeting, cleaned shop, Cleared trail of down trees. TSI work at TPNC, NH 3rd grade field trip, measured roof and got pricing SR pump house, Kestrel Boxes, Burned tree pile.

Van Driel Report

First day was February 23,2022
Paperwork, Changed light bulbs

Meetings this month

Humpal – Weed Commissioner Conference March 2-4, 2022
Directors and ISAC Meetings March 9-11, 2022

Crayne – IAN March 9-11, 2022

Humpal, Crayne – Hunter Ed Instructor’s Meeting at Twin Ponds Nature Center March 8, 2022

All employees – Hunter Ed Class at Boyd March 19, 2022

Adjournment: Armbrecht asked for a motion to adjourn.

Motion: Carey/Myrsiades
To adjourn the meeting at 7:37 p.m. (4 – 0 Allison absent)

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Mission Statement: The Mission of Chickasaw County Conservation is to enhance, promote, protect, preserve and reclaim Chickasaw County natural resources for the benefit, enjoyment & education of all Chickasaw County residents and visitors.