



# Chickasaw County Conservation Board

## TWIN PONDS NATURE CENTER

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The Chickasaw County Conservation Board held its regular monthly meeting on July 1, 2024, at the Twin Ponds Nature Center. Members present: Jim Allison, Ray Armbrecht, Lori Carey, JoAnne Myrsiades, Mike Pickar and Director Chad Humpal. Employees present: Caleb Ciavarelli. Guests: None.

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

**Agenda:** Armbrecht asked for approval of the July 1, 2024 agenda.

**Motion:** Carey/Allison

To approve the July 1, 2024 agenda. (Carried unanimously)

**Minutes:** Armbrecht asked for approval of the minutes of the June 3, 2024, Board meeting.

**Motion:** Myrsiades/Pickar

To approve the minutes of the June 3, 2024, Board meeting as presented. (Carried unanimously)

**Claims:** Claims for \$3,906.57 to be paid and claims in the amount of \$5,254.06 that were invoiced on June 11, 2024 were presented for review.

**Motion:** Pickar/Carey

To approve claims for the amount of \$3,906.57 and \$5,254.06. (Carried unanimously)

### **Fiscal Year 2024 Budget & Fiscal Year 2025 Budget Proposal**

Looked at FY24 Final budget and discussions on FY25 budget.

### **Update on TIF**

### **End of year camp ground update**

\$103,174.00 in camping revenue for the FY2024

### **TPNC Pavilion/shelter Update**

### **ATVs in parks?**

Review new Iowa code on ATV/UTVs in state and county parks

**Set Date and agenda for Board Tour**

Board set date of July 23, 2023, 4:30 at Twin Ponds Nature Center

**DISCUSS CONTINUING PROJECTS AND DEPARTMENT UPDATES**

**Discuss Future agenda Items**

No Comments

**Crayne Report**

Shelter Demo; Hunter ED Nashua; Mow parks; Radio Interview; Wrote homes programs; Homes programs; Fed animals and filled feeders; cleaned NC; cleared tree from trail; planning meeting with ISU; prepped for Husky wellness day; NP outdoor cooking program; picked up canoe donation; Kayak float with Floyd County; Theisen's for supplies; GPS program; program for Vet's coffee club; Newsletter; NP fish and Hike.

**Ciavarelli Report**

Shelter Demo; removed concrete from old shelter; took truck to get tires put on; picked up burn radios; fixed disc; cleaned fire rings and dumped trash in parks; mower maintenance; weekend duty; planted food plots; put culvert in AL; mowed parks; bladed drive to parks; cut up trees SR; cleaned shop; changed tire on trailer; mowed fire breaks; mowed native planting K-Feld and Ringneck; cut more trees SR; worked on rocks on dock jetty; put siding back on Munson.

**VanDriel Report**

Shelter Demo; removed concrete from old shelter; took truck to get tires put on; picked up burn radios; fixed disc; cleaned fire rings and dumped trash in parks; dirt work for shelter; planted food plots; put culvert in AL; mowed parks; mowed brush K-Feld; cut up trees SR; weekend duty; sickle bar mowed parks and areas; put up new men's and women's sign AL; sprayed parks; cut more trees SR; worked on rocks on dock jetty; put siding back on Munson.

**Meetings this month**

- Chad - Wapsi water samples July 15, 2024
- Wapsi Watershed Meeting – July 11, 2024

**Adjournment:** Armbrecht asked for a motion to adjourn.

**Motion:** Pickar/Allison

To adjourn the meeting at 7:09 p.m. (Carried unanimously)

*Chad Humpal*

*Director*

*Chickasaw County Conservation Board*

*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.*