



# Chickasaw County Conservation Board

## TWIN PONDS NATURE CENTER

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The Chickasaw County Conservation Board held its regular monthly meeting on December 2, 2025, at the Twin Ponds Nature Center. Members present: Jim Allison, Lori Carey, JoAnne Myrsiades, Mike Pickar, and Director Chad Humpal. Employees present: Matt Crayne. Guests: None.

Myrsiades called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m.

### **Agenda:**

**Motion:** Allison/Carey

To approve the December 2, 2025, agenda. (Carried unanimously)

### **Minutes:**

**Motion:** Pickar/Carey

To approve the minutes of the November 4, 2025, Board meeting as presented. (Carried unanimously)

**Claims:** Claims for \$6,959.60 to be paid and claims in the amount of \$1,584.15 that were invoiced on November 10, 2025, were presented for review.

**Motion:** Pickar/Allison

To approve claims for the amount of \$6,959.60 and \$1,584.15. (Carried unanimously)

### **Fiscal Year 2026 Budget:**

Look at FY26 budget

- Discussed budgeting for GEO unit replacement in the garage at TPNC

### **Review and approve Agreement to Terminate the Chickasaw Cedar Lake Improvement Council and the Intergovernmental Agreement**

**Motion:** Carey/Allison

to approve the agreement to Terminate the Chickasaw Cedar Lake Improvement Council and the Intergovernmental Agreement and approve Chair signature. (Carried unanimously)

### **Approve Wildlife Habitat Stamp Fund – Development Grant Request**

**Motion:** Carey/Pickar

to adopt the resolution below and to authorize Director Humpal to sign the Wildlife Habitat Stamp Fund – Development Grant Application for forestry improvement projects in Chickasaw County.

WHEREAS, the Chickasaw County Conservation Board is interested in acquiring and/or developing wildlife habitat by means of the above-named project, AND Wildlife Habitat Stamp funds are required for the project, NOW THEREFORE, the Chickasaw County Conservation Board does hereby make application for assistance, AND further agrees to abide by all the covenants of Section 110.3, Code of Iowa 1981, and Chapter 23 (290), Iowa Administrative Code, AND further certifies this resolution was officially adopted by the Chickasaw County Conservation Board at a legal meeting held on the 2 day of December, in the year 2025. (Carried unanimously)

### **Online camping Registration for Campgrounds**

Discussion on number of sites to make reservable.

**Motion:** Pickar/Carey

to approve 20 campsites and group site for online registration for the 2026 camping season. The 20 sites locations shall be approved by the Conservation Director. (Carried unanimously)

### **Campgrounds Pricing for 2026 season**

Discussion on camping rates for the next camping season. This increase will be to cover added fees for the online registration.

**Motion:** Carey/Allison

to set Airport Lake Park Camping rates at \$22.00 for electric/water, \$27.00 for electric/water/sewer, all non-camping pad rates at \$15.00 and set the loop at \$110 per day. (Carried unanimously)

**Motion:** Allison/Pickar

to set Split Rock Park Camping rates at \$20.00 for electric and non-electrical rates at \$15.00. (Carried unanimously)

### **Howards Woods**

Discuss shelter and future plans

Consensus to remove old shelter and replace with a smaller lean-to.

### **DISCUSS CONTINUING PROJECTS AND DEPARTMENT UPDATES**

#### **Discuss Future agenda Items**

No Comments on future agenda items.

#### **Environmental Education Report**

#### **Maintenance Report**

#### **Meetings this month**

**Adjournment:**

**Motion:** Allison/Carey

To adjourn the meeting at 6:35 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.*