

**SPECIAL MEETING
JASPER COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD
Conservation Office, Armory Building
January 26, 2022, 12:30 P.M.**

Board Members Present: Andy Stone, Carol Kramer, Chris Herbold, Robyn Friedman, and Doug Smith

Staff Present: Keri Van Zante, Jade Read, Jerry Ratliff, Greg Oldsen, and Katie Cantu

Guest Present: Jamie Malloy, Nature Center Architect, Studio Melee

With a quorum present, the special business meeting was called to order by Chairperson Friedman at 12:30pm.

NATURE CENTER AUCTION- ACTION 22-30. Read presented options for social distancing alternatives for the Caring for Conservation auction, to be held April 2, 2022. A virtual auction could be held (like the previous year) for a fee of \$1200 to pay for the bidding platform provided by Greater Giving. A much larger rental space could also be acquired at Baquara for an in-person event, for a rental fee of \$450. Read and Smith will visit Baquara on February 2 at noon to tour the larger space. Motion by Stone, second by Herbold to book Baquara for \$450 to hold an in-person 2022 Caring for Conservation auction. Motion carried unanimously.

Nature Center Plan. Jamie Malloy, the nature center architect from Studio Melee, visited with the board and staff about options for phasing the construction of the nature center. Board members discussed that, since we are getting close to the \$1million in donations for the center, it would be ideal for the first phase to include a \$1 million construction to get the project started. Malloy will work on a phasing plan and get back to the board as soon as possible.

ADJOURNMENT- ACTION 22-31. With no further business appearing, motion by Stone second by Herbold that the meeting adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT – 2:00 p.m.

Chris Herbold, Secretary