

**REGULAR MEETING**  
**JASPER COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD**  
**Conservation Office, Armory Building**  
**December 3, 2024, 8:30 A.M.**

**Board Members Present:** Andy Stone, Carol Kramer (joined at 9:05 am via phone), Robyn Friedman, and Willie Yeager

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

With a quorum present, the business meeting was called to order by Chairperson Stone at 8:30 am. Minutes of the November 5, 2024, regular meeting and November 19, 2024, special meeting were approved as written.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS – ACTION 25-34.** Motion by Friedman, second by Yeager that the following bills be approved for payment from the conservation fund:

Alliant Energy	0001-22-6110-000-43142	\$99.31
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Iowa Regional Utilities Assoc	0001-22-6110-000-43244	
Iowa Regional Utilities Assoc	0001-22-6110-000-43242	\$114.18
Iowa Regional Utilities Assoc	0001-22-6110-000-21249	\$28.87
Iowa Regional Utilities Assoc	0001-22-6110-000-43213	\$25.89
Jasper County Engineer	0001-22-6110-000-25000	\$1,348.60
MidAmerican Energy	0001-22-6110-000-43144	\$213.00
	0001-22-6110-000-43144	\$43.89
Skunk River Sanitation LLC	0001-22-6110-000-21944	\$57.00
Dodds Trash and Hauling	0001-22-6110-000-44146	\$80.00
	0001-22-6110-000-44142	
US Cellular	0001-22-6110-000-42080	\$173.96
Forbes Office Solutions	0001-22-6100-000-40200	\$135.67
Amerigas	0001-22-6110-000-43044	\$615.46
Arrow Pest Control	0001-22-6110-000-44142	\$80.00
Sarah Paul	0001-22-6110-000-45400	\$525.00
Jerry Ratliff	0001-22-6100-000-41400	\$105.00
Keri Van Zante	0001-22-6100-000-41400	\$105.00
Katie Cantu	0001-22-6100-000-41400	\$105.00
Greg Oldsen	0001-22-6100-000-41400	\$105.00
Tristan Hunt	0001-22-6100-000-41400	\$105.00
Kent Dunsburgen	0001-22-6100-000-41400	\$105.00
Ethan Vander pol	0001-22-6100-000-41400	\$105.00

Jade Read	0001-22-6100-000-41400	\$105.00	
Canva	0001-22-6100-000-40000	\$14.99	C
O'Reilly Auto Parts	0001-22-6110-000-63700	\$135.93	C
Iowa Sec. of State	0001-22-6100-000-42500	\$30.00	C
Amazon	0005-22-6100-000-29280	\$17.97	C
Amazon	0005-22-6100-000-29280	\$29.78	C
NAPA	0001-22-6110-000-44000	-\$18.00	C
NAPA	0001-22-6110-000-44000	\$260.05	C
Theisens	0001-22-6110-000-21942	\$12.58	C
Theisens	0001-22-6110-000-21942	\$3.98	C
Menards	0001-22-6110-000-21942	\$38.98	C
Walmart	0001-22-6100-000-29139	\$59.32	C
Walmart	0001-22-6100-000-29139	\$39.19	C
Smith Quality Rental	0005-22-6100-000-29280	\$30.00	C
State of Iowa Dept. of Ag	0001-22-6100-000-42200	\$15.00	C
Authorize.net	0001-22-6100-000-40000	\$17.25	C
Google Google One	0001-22-6100-000-26000	\$21.39	C
Menards	0005-22-6100-000-29139	\$75.98	C
Menards	0001-22-6110-000-44142	\$320.19	C
Menards	0001-22-6110-000-21946	\$47.88	C
Theisens	0001-22-6110-000-21942	\$15.98	C
Menards	0001-22-6110-000-44142	\$51.52	C
Theisens	0001-22-6110-000-21942	\$17.56	C
Theisens	0001-22-6110-000-21400	\$6.23	C
Theisens	0001-22-6110-000-29000	\$36.67	C
Theisens	0001-22-6110-000-44142	\$115.87	C
Hi-Viz Safety	0001-22-6110-000-21400	\$541.75	C
Newton Public Landfill	0001-22-6110-000-21944	\$24.63	C
Theisens	0001-22-6110-000-21944	\$21.46	C
Amazon	0005-22-6100-000-29280	\$37.38	C
Amazon	0005-22-6100-000-29280	\$8.29	C
Barneys Services	0001-22-6110-000-21944	\$30.00	C
Newton Public Landfill	0001-22-6110-000-21943	\$15.99	C
Theisens	0001-22-6110-000-21946	\$5.99	C
Theisens	0001-22-6110-000-44143	\$28.87	C
Bass Pro Shops	0005-22-6100-000-29280	\$29.97	C
Menards	0005-22-6100-000-29280	\$19.99	C
		\$6,761.85	

Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF DIGITAL TRANSACTIONS- ACTION 25-35.** Motion Friedman second by Yeager to approve the bank statement showing the monthly digital and online transactions and ACH transfers. Motion carried unanimously.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

Staff reports were presented by Cantu, Oldsen, Ratliff, and Read.

**ASHTON PARK PLAN- ACTION 25-36.** Board members traveled to Ashton Park as a part of a special meeting on November 19, 2024. The board looked at the house and walked the parcel so that discussions about its future could be held. The house needs much updating, including flooring, bathrooms, kitchen, basement leaks, and a major electrical update. Members discussed the cost to update the house compared to the benefit, as no officer will be living in the park now. Motion by Yeager, second by Friedman that the house at Ashton Park be torn down. Motion carried unanimously.

**NATURE CENTER DONOR WALL- ACTION 25-37.** Staff have worked with local artist Karen King to develop a concept of a live edge epoxy stream donor wall. The original art piece will be 4' x 8' and will be engraved with all of the donors over \$1,000. King has priced the art at \$4,200 but will donate half, so cost to JCCB would be \$2,100. Motion by Friedman, second by Yeager to utilize Karen King for the donor wall at the cost of \$2,100. Motion carried unanimously.

**My County Parks “Nearby Attractions”.** Read presented an opportunity to include 6 nearby attractions on the Jasper County page of the my county parks website. Board and staff discussed whether this would be a paid advertising or if we offer it for free. Staff also talked about ways to make it fair for all interested to have a chance to fill one of the 6 spots. Stone asked staff to come up with a proposal and bring it back to the January meeting for a decision.

**Other.** Nothing identified

**Board Member Concerns.** Nothing identified.

**ADJOURNMENT- ACTION 25-38.** With no further business appearing, motion by Yeager second by Kramer that the meeting adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT – 9:33 a.m.**

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Carol Kramer, Secretary