Kossuth County Conservation Board Regular Monthly Meeting Water's Edge Nature Center July 10, 2023 5:30 P.M.

Present: Eichenberger; Ristau; Young

Beenken; Schmidt; Stumme; Wille

Absent: Miller; Rasmussen

Guests Present:

Chairman Eichenberger called the meeting to order.

A motion was made by Ristau and seconded by Young to approve the June meeting minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

The Naturalist report was submitted by Wille. Projects accomplished included live animal maintenance, office recycling, attended the monthly staff and board meeting; SWCD meeting. School programs-0 for 0 students; Public programs-3 for 20 people; 12 other student programs for 278 students 0 civic programs. JCL event-Campout with 4 attending. 26 Facebook posts were put out with 23,461 people reached and 3,357 engaged.

Discussion was held on the repair or replacement of the TN75 tractor. Schmidt provided bids on a skidloader to replace the TN75 tractor from three local implement dealers. After reviewing the bids, a motion was made by Ristau to approve the bid of 52,000 for a used 2020 New Holland C345 track skidloader from Deitering Bros., Inc. of Bancroft. The bid price included the trade in value of the 1999 TN75 tractor. The motion was seconded by Young and passed unanimously.

Discussion was held on the purchase of a trailer to haul the new skidloader. Additional information on the trailer requirements will be obtained and the trailer purchase will be discussed at a future meeting.

The board approved of holding the August board meeting on Monday the $14^{\rm th}$ at $5:30~{\rm pm}$ at the Water's Edge Nature Center.

A motion was made by Young and seconded by Ristau to approve the 47 bills submitted for approval. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Young and seconded by Ristau to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.