Kossuth County Conservation Board Regular Monthly Meeting Water's Edge Nature Center May 10, 2021 5:30 P.M.

Present:

Eichenberger; Miller; Rasmussen; Ristau; Young Stumme; Wille

Absent:

Guests Present:

Board Chair Rasmussen called the meeting to order.

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

The Naturalist report was submitted by Wille. Projects accomplished included live animal maintenance, attended two SWCD meetings, attended the board and staff meetings, attended EPAK planning meeting, delivered trees to 4<sup>th</sup> graders, attended two Foundation meetings, attended ALICE training, Youth events-14 classroom programs-264 students; 7 field trips for 326 students; JCL event- 1 event with 12 attending, 12 Facebook posts were put out with 5,607 people reached and 494 engaged.

Wille requested the purchase of a new Mac Book Pro laptop to replace the existing 10 year-old laptop for a maximum cost of \$1,500 including software. After discussion, a motion was made by Young and seconded by Eichenberger to approve the purchase. The motion passed unanimously.

Wille requested the purchase of an Old Town discovery 119 one-person canoe for programs with an estimated cost of \$800. A motion was made by Young and seconded by Eichenberger to approve the purchase. The motion passed unanimously.

Wille informed the board Mackenzie Teeter had been selected to be the Naturalist intern for the summer of 2021 starting around June 1.

The board looked at and approved the colors selected for the exterior painting of the nature center.

The board approved of holding the June board meeting on Tuesday the 15th at 5:30 p.m. at the Water's Edge Nature Center library.

A motion was made by Miller and seconded by Eichenberger to approve the 33 bills submitted for approval. The motion passed unanimously.

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