

FRIENDS OF THE JACKSON COUNTY CONSERVATION
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES—Tuesday, April 12, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 7:09 pm by Vice Chair, Julie Reuter.

The minutes of the previous meeting were presented by Sandra Walton. The motion to approve the minutes, as presented, was made by Jessica Wagner, 2nd by Chris Cornelius. Motion passed.

The treasurer's report as of 4/8/16 was presented by Treasurer Wendy Hainstock. The motion to approve the report was made by Cornelius, 2nd by Jess Wagner. Motion passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Bookkeeping—Wendy Hainstock reported that all is up to date. She also reported the decision by the board to look into an independent audit.

Gift Shop—Wendy Hainstock reported that the gift shop is doing well.

Membership—Jessica Wagner reported that membership sign up was better when a letter was sent out and that they would like people to sign up on this committee to help.

Bus Grants—Jessica Wagner reported that \$113 has been granted to the Bellevue Marquette Schools.

Programs/Events—Jessica Wagner summarized upcoming programs. There will be an OWLS program at Whitewater Canyon on Wed., April 20 at 1:00 pm. There will be tree planting of 3,500 trees on April 29 and 30 at Pine Valley.

Fundraisers—Emily Highnam reported on Taco Bar and speaker on Sunday, April 24. A sign-up sheet for food items for the meal was sent around.

Prairie Creek Pavilion—Highnam reported that a tentative brochure has been prepared for the fundraising project and it was sent around for comments and suggestions. Ann Burns showed possible letterheads for a fundraising letter. Jeanne Hoesley suggested the committee consider a larger sign with a fundraiser thermometer near the current Prairie Creek parking lot.

OLD BUSINESS:

Binoculars—Jessica Wagner reported that they have been purchased and were already used at the Whitewater Canyon Woodcock Watch.

Sponsored speakers—Jessica Wagner reported. April 24 will be Rebecca Christoffel, August 7 will be the ISU travelling insect zoo, and October 16 will be Beverly Hines.

Summer Naturalist Intern—Jessica Wagner reported that the intern from last summer, Tony Vorwald has been hired for again for this summer.

NEW BUSINESS

Gift shop equipment-- Wendy Hainstock reported that they are looking into using the tablet we won for inventory.

Maquoketa Chamber membership—Reuter reported that we will be gathering information and discuss this at our next meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS

Birdies for Charity—Jessica Wagner reported that participation is now easier and that she will gather information about the program for the next meeting.

Vice Chair Julie Reuter adjourned the meeting at 8:00 pm.

The next meeting is on Tuesday, June 14, 2016, at the Hurstville Interpretive Center.

Respectively submitted,

Sandra Walton, Secretary