

# Franklin County Conservation Board

## Monthly Meeting Minutes of July 2, 2018

**Board Members present:** Tony Stadlander, Scott Doescher, Jon Petersen, Bruce Harris, Sandy Eckhardt

**Board Members absent:** None

**Staff Members present:** Ned Parker, Alex Meyer

**Guests present:** Jordon Hansen, Jeff & Tricia Christiansen

**Meeting called to order:** Jon called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. @ the Franklin County Conservation Office

**Public Participation:** (see "Appointments")

**Review & Approve Agenda:** Sandy moved to approve the agenda as posted, Bruce 2<sup>nd</sup>, all ayes, motion passed.

**Review & Approve Minutes:** Bruce moved to approve the minutes of the June 2018 meeting, Scott 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3 ayes, 1 abstention, motion passed.

**Appointments: 7:10 p.m. - Jeff & Tricia Christiansen** - Concerns regarding proximity to Forever Fen Public Hunting Area: The Christiansen's are concerned about hunters shooting near their home & chicken coop - they brought in an aerial depicting the area they feel will be affected. (We've also discussed this issue with Doug Tarr who lives to the East of the Fen.) Jordon Hansen, DNR Conservation Officer, explained the Code section that states no shooting allowed within 200 yards, etc. We've also discussed placing signs announcing "No Hunting". Discussed method of marking the distances & the wording of the signs. Discussed making the area "Bow Hunting Only" which would eliminate the problem of gun hunting in the specified area. Concerns about publishing a Public Notice addressing the issue were raised - Ned will check on what is required. Scott moved we table this issue until our next meeting to decide how to post the area & possibly publish a notice, Tony 2<sup>nd</sup>, all ayes, motion passed.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:**

- 1) **Discuss/set date & time for County Park tour:** Staff & Board Members will have a County Park tour of Mallory, Maynes Grove, Robinson & WKW Parks on September 8<sup>th</sup> @ 9:00 a.m. Will meet at the Conservation Office & carpool to the parks from there. Finish with a cook-out. Details to be discussed later.
- 2) **Any other new business:**
  - Jon mentioned that Mike Buchanan would like to cut undesirable trees along his property adjacent to the Rolling Prairie Trail - we agreed he could do this & Staff will pick up the branches, etc. It's also ok to spray weeds, etc.
  - Dustin Bulten is our new Conservation Tech

**Approve bills:** Bruce moved to pay bills, Tony 2<sup>nd</sup>, all ayes, motion passed.

**Adjourn:** Bruce moved to adjourn, Sandy 2<sup>nd</sup>, all ayes, motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

*Next meeting date: August 6, 2018 @ 7:00 p.m. @ the Franklin County Conservation Department Office*

Respectfully submitted by Sandy Eckhardt, Board Member