Marshall County Conservation Board
Regular Meeting June 9, 2025
GrimesFarm and Conservation Center.....5:00 p.m.

President, Tom Mack called the regular meeting of the Marshall County Conservation to order on Monday, June 9, 2025, at the GrimesFarm and Conservation Center at 5:00 p.m. Board members present were: Rich Naughton, Steve Armstrong, Tom Deimerly, and Tom Mack Staff present were Tami Krough, Jeremiah Manken, and Emily Herring. Public present Lucas Wilson from Clapsaddle-Associates Inc. (CGA).

There are no changes to the agenda.

No public comment.

There were no corrections to the minutes of May 12, 2025, they were declared approved as presented.

On a motion by Deimerly, seconded by Naughton, the Board approved the list of claims as presented with addendums. Voting in favor: Mack, Armstrong, Deimerly, and Naughton. Motion carried.

Herring requested approval of Pay Application #2 for Steele Excavating for the Green Castle Campground Project Phase #2 in the amount of $120,432.64. Armstrong moved to approve Pay Application #2 for Steele Excavating. Naughton seconded. Voting in favor: Mack, Armstrong, Deimerly, and Naughton. Motion carried.

Herring sought approval for electrical services for Phase #2 of the Green Castle Campground from Consumer Energy at a cost of $14,399.00. Armstrong moved to approve electrical services for Phase #2 of the Green Castle Campground. Deimerly seconded. Voting in favor: Mack, Armstrong, Deimerly, and Naughton. Motion carried.

Herring presented the FY2026 Staff Salaries and requested approval. Deimerly moved to approve the FY2026 Staff Salaries. Armstrong seconded. Voting in favor: Mack, Armstrong, Deimerly, and Naughton. Motion carried.

Herring provided an update on the Strategic Planning Exercise.

The end of fiscal year meeting date was set for June 19 at 5:30 pm at the GrimesFarm and Conservation Center.

Herring asked the board to approve the bill for the Mediacom Fiber Optics Box. As of the meeting, the cost was $7,550.00 however staff are negotiating with Mediacom. Naughton moved to approve the bill for Mediacom at a maximum cost of $7,550.00. Deimerly seconded the motion. Voting in favor: Mack, Armstrong, Deimerly, and Naughton. Motion carried.

Herring requested approval to submit an application for the Iowa Forest Resiliency Partnership Grant. Deimerly moved to approve the application for the Iowa Forest Resiliency Partnership Grant.

The board moved to approve the donation of 5.91 acres of land from Mike Weitzell. Paone moved to approve the donation. Naughton seconded. Voting in favor: Mack, Paone, Deimerly, and Naughton.

Deimerly moved to go into closed session to Section 21.5, Subsection (1) Paragraph (i) OF THE CODE OF IOWA to discuss possible land acquisition. Naughton seconded the motion. Voting in favor: Mack, Armstrong, Deimerly, and Naughton. Motion carried. Time of motion 5:30 p.m.

Motion by Armstrong to leave closed session, seconded by Naughton. Voting in favor: Mack, Paone, Deimerly, and Naughton Time of 5:40 pm.

Non-action items discussed: Arti and Red's Pond.

Naughton moved adjourn the meeting. Armstrong seconded. The meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Tom Mack

Tom Mack, President

R A Naughton

~~Tom Deimerly, Secretary/Treasurer~~

Rich Naughton, Vice President