

Boone County Conservation District
Minutes of the Meeting of June 16, 2010

Index

Roll Call and Call to Order	I
Minutes	II
Minutes of the May 19, 2010 Regular Meeting	
Financial Reports	III
May 2010	
Public Input	IV
Reports	V
District Affairs	VI
<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ OSLAD Grant Proposal▪ Mary Jo and Milt Brown Trail Side Park▪ Prevailing Wage Ordinance No. 108▪ Proposal from Jack Wolf▪ Approve Contract for SSRP Project in Distillery▪ Approve Ordinance No. 109 between BCCD and State's Attorney Office▪ Attorney's Contract	
Accounts Payable	VII
Adjournment	VIII

Boone County Conservation District Meeting

June 16, 2010

Minutes

I. Roll Call and Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Boone County Conservation District Board of Trustees was called to order by President Barb Wych at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 16, 2010, at 603 N. Appleton Rd., Belvidere, IL.

Roll call was taken and the following board members were present: Barb Wych, George Thomas, Dave Sliktas, Karl Winkler, and John Todt. Also present were Attorney Deb Loos, Mick Johnston, Cathie Johnson, Josh Sage, Tim Craig and Val Coduto.

II. Minutes of the May 19, 2010 Meeting

Upon motion by John Todt, seconded by Karl Winkler that the minutes of the May 19, 2010 meeting be approved as distributed.

Poll votes were:	George Thomas – aye	Dave Sliktas - aye
	John Todt – aye	Barb Wych – aye
	Karl Winkler - aye	

III. Financial Reports

May 2010 Financial Reports

Upon motion by Karl Winkler, seconded by Dave Sliktas, that the financial reports for the month of May be approved with the corrected of a typing error in the Schoolhouse Account report.

Poll votes were:	George Thomas – aye	Dave Sliktas - aye
	John Todt – aye	Barb Wych – aye
	Karl Winkler – aye	

IV. Public Input

There was no public input at this meeting.

V. Reports

Reports were submitted for review with the board packets and are attached to the minutes.

VI. District Affairs

OSLAD Grant Proposal

Director Kane reported that after talking with IDNR Grant Administrator Mick Rosendahl, he has decided to postpone submitting the OSLAD grant application due to the fact that it appears the application would not score very well at this time.

Winding Creek Subdivision HOA

Nothing new to report at this time.

BOONE COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT

FINANCIAL REPORT

MONTH ENDING May 31, 2010

	Checking	Payroll	Illinois Fund	Total	Reservation Account	Crow's Foot Account
Beginning Balance	7,037.01	50,401.41	883,384.87	940,823.29	5,790.45	1,333,566.01
Revenues	7,176.80		10,140.41	17,317.21	615.00	170.76
Expenditures	39,501.18	46,265.91		85,767.09	480.00	
Transfer In	80,000.00	44,598.59		124,598.59		
Transfer Out	44,598.59		80,000.00	124,598.59		
Ending Balance	10,114.04	48,734.09	813,525.28	872,373.41	5,925.45	1,333,736.77

Boone County Conservation District
Income Statement
For the Two Months Ending May 31, 2010

	Current Month Actual	Year to Date Actual	Year to Date Budget	Difference
Revenues				
PROPERTY TAXES	0.00	0.00	985,201.00	985,201.00
REPLACEMENT TAXES	(10,028.53)	(24,340.94)	65,000.00	40,659.06
INTEREST INCOME	(111.88)	(206.26)	3,000.00	2,793.74
Funds Trans. from Ex. Funds	0.00	0.00	72,284.00	72,284.00
GRANT PROCEEDS	0.00	(500.00)	1,844,302.55	1,843,802.55
Dog Tag Sales	(1,173.50)	(1,173.50)	6,000.00	4,826.50
RENT/LEASE	0.00	(412.50)	1,225.00	812.50
HUNTING PROGRAM	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
ETHNIC GARDENS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
NATURE'S WINDOW	(1,391.80)	(2,007.20)	9,000.00	6,992.80
DEPT. OF NATURAL RESOURCES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
LAND/CASH FEES	0.00	(306.00)	0.00	(306.00)
VENDOR PAYMENTS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
MEMORIALS/DONATIONS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
OTHER REVENUES	(157.50)	(287.50)	13,750.00	13,462.50
RESERVATION AND USER FEES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
SUMMER CAMP PROGRAMS	(3,235.00)	(6,370.00)	27,500.00	21,130.00
SCHOOL EDUCATION PROGRAMS	(1,124.00)	(1,480.00)	2,500.00	1,020.00
PUBLIC EDUCATION PROGRAMS	(80.00)	(1,577.50)	600.00	(977.50)
AUTUMN PIONEER FESTIVAL	(15.00)	(15.00)	7,500.00	7,485.00
FRIENDS OF THE LPT	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
SYLVANIA TRIP FEES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
FINES AND TICKET PAYMENTS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TRANSFER FROM ILL. FUNDS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
EQUITY ENCUMBERED FOR KNOW	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
REVENUE TOTAL	\$ (17,317.21)	\$ (38,676.40)	\$ 3,037,862.55	2,999,186.15

As of: May 31, 2010

Gl Account Summary Report
Boone County Conservation District

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Account Description</u>	<u>Current Period</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>	<u>Remaining</u>	<u>% used</u>
LAW ENFORCEMENT						
4020	COURT COSTS	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 600.00	600.00	0.00
	Totals	0.00	0.00	600.00	600.00	0.00
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES						
4500	PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SE	500.00	1,562.50	37,250.00	35,687.50	4.19
	Total	500.00	1,562.50	37,250.00	35,687.50	4.19
ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES						
5010	ADM. WAGES & SALARIES	12,810.24	32,025.60	165,333.00	133,307.40	19.37
5050	PAYROLL TAXES	979.98	2,449.95	12,647.97	10,198.02	19.37
5055	IMRF EXPENSE	1,306.64	2,613.29	16,863.97	14,250.68	15.50
5056	HEALTH INSURANCE	1,085.93	2,986.04	13,218.48	10,232.44	22.59
5060	PROPERTY TAXES	5,597.30	5,597.30	4,000.00	(1,597.30)	139.93
5080	TELEPHONE AND UTILITIES	1,151.30	3,131.33	19,460.00	16,328.67	16.09
5100	OFFICE EXPENSES AND SUPP	972.22	1,435.01	6,800.00	5,364.99	21.10
5110	INSURANCE	1,577.00	7,111.00	56,700.00	49,589.00	12.54
5135	CONF./TRAINING	534.83	644.79	5,050.00	4,405.21	12.77
5140	DUES	635.97	825.97	4,000.00	3,174.03	20.65
5146	COPY MACHINE LEASE & PRI	319.91	1,340.68	6,270.00	4,929.32	21.38
5155	EQUIP. PURCHASE	69.99	93.45	10,750.00	10,656.55	0.87
5156	EQUIPMENT REPAIR	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
5160	MISCELLANEOUS	671.22	1,162.84	4,440.00	3,277.16	26.19
5162	MEMORIALS	4.26	4.26	300.00	295.74	1.42
	Totals	27,716.79	61,421.51	326,833.42	265,411.91	18.79
LAND MAINTENANCE						
6305	WAGES - MAINTENANCE	10,162.81	24,883.35	127,363.00	102,479.65	19.54
6310	PAYROLL TAXES - MAINT.	819.15	1,994.18	9,743.27	7,749.09	20.47
6311	HEALTH INSURANCE	1,094.54	2,236.00	12,718.48	10,482.48	17.58
6312	IMRF EXPENSE	823.83	1,647.66	10,709.90	9,062.24	15.38
6325	BLDG., LANDSCAPE MAINT.	3,732.09	4,978.21	70,110.00	65,131.79	7.10
6330	UTILITIES	546.20	1,192.87	10,525.00	9,332.13	11.33
6340	FUEL	765.57	1,792.32	20,000.00	18,207.68	8.96
6350	LPT MAINTENANCE	0.00	0.00	4,600.00	4,600.00	0.00
6370	EQUIPMENT PURCHASE	0.00	0.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
6383	EQUIPMENT REPAIR	1,964.78	2,361.76	18,400.00	16,038.24	12.84
6384	EQUIPMENT RENTAL	0.00	0.00	2,300.00	2,300.00	0.00
6385	SMALL TOOLS AND SUPPLIES	7,350.82	7,520.72	15,600.00	8,079.28	48.21
6386	UNIFORMS	578.33	578.33	1,400.00	821.67	41.31
6395	OTHER	489.69	489.69	2,500.00	2,010.31	19.59
	Totals	28,327.81	49,675.09	310,969.65	261,294.56	15.97
EDUCATION DEPARTMENT EXPENSES						
7605	SALARIES/WAGES - EDUCATI	13,192.09	32,200.23	201,951.00	169,750.77	15.94
7610	PAYROLL TAXES	1,009.21	2,483.55	15,449.25	12,965.70	16.08
7611	HEALTH INSURANCE	1,026.61	3,479.83	25,936.96	22,457.13	13.42
7612	IMRF EXPENSE	1,140.11	2,287.97	14,821.21	12,533.24	15.44
7615	CAMP PROGRAMS	1,052.19	2,761.27	13,640.00	10,878.73	20.24
7620	SCHOOL EDUCATION PROGR	127.30	317.26	2,000.00	1,682.74	15.86
7625	PUBLIC EDUCATION PROGRA	84.01	157.22	3,550.00	3,392.78	4.43
7630	UNIFORMS	0.00	0.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00
7635	EQUIPMENT	0.00	0.00	4,250.00	4,250.00	0.00
7640	DISPLAYS	79.93	506.96	2,075.00	1,568.04	24.43
7645	OTHER EXPENSES	15.00	62.00	750.00	688.00	8.27
7650	PUBLIC RELATIONS & INFOR	160.30	980.30	12,700.00	11,719.70	7.72
7651	ETHNIC HERITAGE GARDENS	198.31	384.51	6,000.00	5,615.49	6.41

As of: May 31, 2010

GI Account Summary Report
Boone County Conservation District

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Account Description</u>	<u>Current Period</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>	<u>Remaining</u>	<u>% used</u>
7652	VOLUNTEER RESOURCES	0.00	0.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	0.00
7654	AUTUMN PIONEER FESTIVAL	0.00	52.80	13,500.00	13,447.20	0.39
7656	NATURES WINDOW	0.00	978.04	13,000.00	12,021.96	7.52
7657	RIFFLES AND EDDIES	750.00	750.00	8,150.00	7,400.00	9.20
Totals		18,835.06	47,401.94	344,273.42	296,871.48	13.77
TOTAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS						
Totals		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT						
9504	SALARIES	7,277.21	18,412.18	96,613.00	78,200.82	19.06
9511	PAYROLL TAX	574.88	1,424.38	7,390.89	5,966.51	19.27
9514	UNIFORMS	206.30	506.60	1,000.00	493.40	50.66
9515	HEALTH INSURANCE	1,094.54	2,254.46	12,968.48	10,714.02	17.38
9520	IMRF EXPENSE	604.16	1,207.19	7,839.41	6,632.22	15.40
9523	ILL. NATURAL AREA INVENT	0.00	0.00	1,667.00	1,667.00	0.00
9524	ECOLOGICAL RESTORATION	0.00	32.23	27,200.00	27,167.77	0.12
9530	EQUIPMENT/SUPPLIES	1,200.00	1,200.00	2,700.00	1,500.00	44.44
Totals		10,957.09	25,037.04	157,378.78	132,341.74	15.91
Totals		\$ 86,336.75	\$ 185,098.08	\$ 1,177,305.27	992,207.19	15.72

**Boone County Conservation District
Restricted Funds Activity
For the Month of May 2010**

Balance 290,884.40

Receipts:

Camp Donations	1,805.00
Donation	100.00
Insurance check (Rec Hall fire)	47,358.00

Total Receipts 49,263.00

Expenses To:

Greg Sharp (rec hall electric)	1,800.00
Watson Eleven (rec hall)	24,935.00
Watson Eleven (final payment rec hall Windows)	4,694.00
Shopko (replacement items lost in Rec hall fire)	112.42
Cardmember Service Green Ball (188.78) Rec Hall (20.36)	209.14
Pam Stock Green Ball	48.16
Randeas Music Green Ball	150.00
Boone County Journal Green Ball	160.00
BDR Green Ball	213.00
Boone County Shopper Green Ball	169.20

Total Disbursements 32,490.92

Cash, end of month 307,656.48

**Boone County Conservation District
Engelsen Memorial Account Activity
For the Month of May 2010**

Balance	3,059.06	
Receipts From:		
Interest	.77	
Total Receipts		.77
Expenses To:		
Cash, end of month		3,059.83

**Boone County Conservation District
Schoolhouse Fund Activity
For the Month of May 2010**

Balance		24,028.14
Receipts From:		
Donations	700.00	
Total Receipts		700.00
Expenses To:		
Total Disbursements		
Cash, end of month		24,728.14

**Monthly Report
June, 2010**

Dan Kane, Director

Previous Issues & Activities:

Grant Updates:

Illinois Department of Agriculture Streambank Stabilization and Restoration grant program: The project has been delayed by precipitation that has elevated the flow in the river. We will attempt to have the contractor complete the work as soon as conditions permit. The second SSRP project application has been submitted to the Illinois Department of Agriculture. We were notified that the state would not cover costs exceeding \$35 per linear foot of protected streambank. Unfortunately, the engineering design for our project includes features that raise the estimated cost to nearly \$80 per linear foot. The SSRP grant, if awarded, will not exceed \$20,000. Total project costs are estimated at \$71,000. Other financial support for this project includes a \$3,000 grant from the Small Mouth Bass Alliance and a \$10,000 grant from the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service. We have contacted the Coon Creek Casters to see if they would be willing to pledge funds toward this project and will contact other service organizations to seek support as well.

State Wildlife Grant application: We have not received notification about the status of the 2010 funding request.

Illinois Clean Energy Community Foundation: A letter of inquiry is being prepared for the Openlands project. The inquiry will detail our proposal seeking matching funds to the Grand Victoria Foundation Vital Lands grant award. This inquiry will request only a portion of the needed funds as the grant program has an established limit that cannot be exceeded. As a result, the proposal will divide the project into phases and this letter of inquiry will seek funds for the first phase of the project.

OSLAD Grant Application: An application seeking OSLAD funds may also be prepared. The deadline for the completed application is July 1st. Board action is needed to approve the application. (*This issue will be on the agenda for discussion/action*)

Easement/License Agreement Request(s): There has been no activity to report.

Update on the Spencer Pavilion: There has been no work performed since the last board meeting.

Holland Site: Representatives from the Boone County Animal Control met with Director Kane to explore the possibility of co-locating the animal control operations at the Holland Site. We jointly toured the facilities and discussed the needs and basic functions of animal control services. Our initial discussions seemed positive with everyone agreeing that this was worth exploring in greater detail.

Proposed Land Donations:

- There are no new proposals to report on.

Alternative Energy Committee: The committee did not meet this month.

Dawson's River Road School: The Green Ball raised approximately \$8,500 and those funds have been placed in the Dawson's River Road School project account. We may receive two additional donations toward this project, but are waiting for notification.

OpenLands Project: Openlands has acquired the Van Dyke property and has placed the home on the market. A meeting with Emy Brawley is scheduled for June 9th to discuss prioritization of other sites, grant applications, and other related business.

Willow Creek Corridor: There is no new information to report on this month.

Greenways Plan Update: The process to select a project consultant is underway. The group will meet next on June 10th to review the proposals.

Intersection of Highway 173 and Highway 76: I have been directed to contact Dave Mottet, General Manager for Conserv FS in Woodstock to discuss the intersection proposal. I am in the process of preparing a letter to Mr. Mottet to explain IDOT's proposal.

Upgrade Peach Tree Financial Program: Mr. Tures is working this week to install the software upgrade, up load district data, and begin training district staff.

Prairie Meadows Estates: There is no update on this project.

Winding Creek Subdivision – Home Owners Association (HOA) Agreement: A review of records indicates that there is no public access provision, only a private access provision, to the BCCD property associated with this development. The HOA of Winding Creek Subdivision is not likely to change that status. Any agreement to permit a path system or other use of this BCCD site would be for the exclusive benefit of the subdivision residents and their guests. Additional discussion of this issue is needed to determine how staff should proceed with the HOA request. *(This issue will be on the agenda for discussion/action)*

Accessibility Assessment: Mr. McGovern met with District staff and has prepared the first technical letter and a guidance document. These documents are being reviewed and may be utilized right away for this summer's camp programs. Mike Quiggly and Mick Johnston were also invited to join Mr. McGovern's staff as they conducted several site inspections at other park district facilities. Our team of staff working on the ADA Assessment update will meet soon to establish an outline for assessing our sites and facilities.

New Issues & Activities:

Mary Jo and Milt Brown Trail Side Park: Director Kane met with Mary Jo and Milt Brown to discuss their interest in creating a trail side park adjacent to the Long Prairie Trail near its' intersection with Caledonia Road. They are interested in providing a picnic shelter, restrooms, water well, parking area and accessible connection to the Long Prairie Trail. They are in the process of designing the layout and will be consulting BCCD staff to ensure that their project does not impact any cultural or natural resources located at the site. *(This issue will be on the agenda for discussion/action)*

Encroachment Issues: A complaint was received notifying the district that neighboring property owners have been encroaching and/or conducting illegal actions on BCCD property. Letters have been sent to neighboring landowners to notify them of these encroachments or illegal activities. Depending on the individual circumstance, additional follow-up may be needed to determine corrective action.

Prevailing Wage Ordinance: Each year the BCCD must adopt a new prevailing wage ordinance to reflect any changes that may have occurred. A copy of the new ordinance is included in the board packet. *(This issue will be on the agenda for discussion/action)*

Proposal from Jack Wolf: Mr. Jack Wolf has contacted Director Kane to explore the possibility of his donating a small tract of property and a new statue. Mr. Wolf is putting a packet of information together and that should be available to review at the Board meeting. If the Board is interested in the project, the Parks and Conservation Foundation should be contacted to see if the property could be banked with that organization. *(This issue will be on the agenda for discussion/action)*

Remember to check the BCCD Website for new programs and activities! The web address is:
www.boonecountyconservationdistrict.org.

Please feel free to call me in advance of the meeting if you have questions about anything in this report, the accompanying documents, or about a district related issue. Thank you!

Monthly Reports for June 2010 **Director of Operations Mick Johnston**

Recreation Hall Fire At time of this writing the Rec. Hall is well underway. In my opinion it should be done by the first day of camp. The building is starting to look nice. The new windows are done and most of the framing is complete. It's possible that everything except the final cleaning will be done by the end of this week. The new doors and the final cleaning should be done by next 16th or the 17th.

Beaver Bluffs Hammertime Unleashed The grand opening for the dog area at Beaver Bluffs was a success. There were forty to sixty people on hand for the ceremony. It was a pleasant day. There were as many as 200 new dogs at the site throughout the day. They were spread out throughout the day. There was a nice story (complete with pictures) in the BDR, May twenty eighth. There are now approximately 350 tags sold.



ADA audit training On May 26th Mike Quigley and I went to Geneva IL. To do training on “how to do an ADA audit” the Recreation accessibility consultants approach. It will be helpful when we start our audits.

Important dates this Month

Summer camps begin this month. Thursdays evenings are parent night programs.

June 9th-11th the cub scouts will be using Spencers festival grounds for their annual cub scout day camp.

June 12 The Coon Creek Casters and Belvidere Lions club will be hosting their annual Hooked on Fishing Clinic.

June 19th A Day in the Life of a pioneer Wife located at the Gustafson Center.

June 26th Run Fur Fun sponsored by Disaster Animal Response Team (DART) will be hosting a run and fair in the festival area from 9 to 3!

So there is a lot happening at Spencer this month.

Maintenance

1. Cut and trim grass at all sites.
2. Hauled metal scrap to silvers.
3. Put memorial bench together and put at Beaver Bluffs.

4. Put alternator belt on Bobcat.
5. Put new fuel filter on ex-mark.
6. Tried unsuccessfully to repair broken hitch on F550.
7. Took F550 to Fair Fabricating to repair.
8. Picked up angle iron from Fair to repair boardwalk at Tuttle.
9. Repaired boardwalk at Tuttle.
10. Hauled stone to finish parking area at Dog area before grand opening.
11. Players golf delivered used camp golf cart.
12. Picked up new vacuum for Kishwaukee Bend.
13. Cut trees on river trail at Spencer.
14. Pruned trails around bike trail at Spencer with Ford Tractor.
15. Went to Batavia, Il. For ADA audit training.
16. Cut up downed limbs at Spencer, LPT,
17. Attended risk management meeting.
18. Took benches out at Big Thunder.
19. Repaired pot hole on LPT.
20. Took tires to Daniels for repair.
21. Cleaned out garbage from bathroom remodel at Kishwaukee Bend garage.
22. Started reworking bridge #15 near Capron on the LPT. Moving the North guard rail out to be able to get tractor across to cut on the trail. Picked up rental barricades, to block off the open side while work is being accomplished.
23. Cleaned Kishwaukee Bend.
24. Hauled picnic tables for Cub Scouts, and Hooked on Fishing.

Board Report for June 2010 - Education Department

- ❖ The 2nd and 3rd grade spring programs are finished for the year. There were 24 school classes who attended the program. A total of 507 children and 109 adults participated in the program this year. We had 16 3rd grade classes and 8 2nd grade classes. MP 17e
- ❖ On May 12th, 13th, and 14th a total of 4 groups from the St. Marks preschool visited the Nature center. Val prepared a program for them. There were a total of 58 students and 29 adults who attended. MP 17e
- ❖ On May 15th John Todt led a 6:30 am bird hike, there were 10 participants. On May 11th a bird hike was planned, but was canceled due to cold rainy conditions. MP 17e
- ❖ Tina went to the 4 Rivers Executive planning meeting and to the general meeting in May. MP20c
- ❖ Val qualified 62 hunters for the fall archery program. MP17e
- ❖ There are 250 children signed up for the annual Hooked on Fishing Clinic, June 12th. MP20c
- ❖ Tina has been working on the summer camp programs. Camp Redwing is starting to fill up. Camp staff will be training this week. MP19a
- ❖ The Cub Scouts will be holding their summer day camp on the Festival Grounds, on June 9,10,11,14,15, and 16th. MP 20c
- ❖ Pat, Pam and several garden volunteers are waiting for the gardens to dry out, so they can plant them.
On June 19th Pat and Pam will have a program called “The Day in the Life of a Pioneer Wife. MP16b
New interpretive signs were placed in the rain garden. MP16d1

Monthly Report

By: Joshua Sage

Natural Resource Management Dept.

June 2010

- I. Kinnikinnick Nature Preserve buffer restoration project
 - Weeds will be controlled all growing season making for a high quality seed bed.
 - The project site will be seeded this fall.
- II. Seed Cleaning
 - This on going project has started up and will continue throughout the year.
- III. SSRP erosion control project at Distillery Conservation Area.
 - Work on the first SSRP grant for the installation of three stream barbs should be completed soon.
 - Staff will be meeting with the engineer and contractor very soon.
 - We are waiting on funding from a second SSRP request.
- IV. One returning and three new NRM interns are on staff for the summer. Our fierce crew will make strides in cleaning up our restorations and remnants of invasives.
 - Lindsay Latino, a recent graduate of Rockford College
 - Courtney Schultz, a student at Columbia College in Missouri
 - Kateri Tonyan, a student at Eastern Illinois University
 - Nathan Abel, a student at Humboldt State in California.
- V. Habitat Restoration Program Project – Distillery Conservation Area
 - This first year restoration will undergo intensive weed control.
- VI. Goat Herd
 - The goats are at Piscasaw Fen and are eating weeds as you read this report.
 - The goats were put out at the end of May and will stay on pasture until October.
 - The BCCD is working on a leasing opportunity with Cindi Robinson 'R Family Farm'. We will purchase a number of goats for a very inexpensive cost and then in the fall she will take them back to kid. This way we get more weed eaters and less maintenance on the livestock.
- VII. This time of year the majority of NRM's time is spent on weed removal. Weeds that are being controlled this time of year are as follows:
 - Yellow Sweet Clover
 - Canada Thistle
 - Wild Parsnip
 - Vetch
 - Goats Beard
 - Multiflora Rose
- VIII. Weed control is in high gear. All restorations and remnants are being swept for weeds. They are being removed by hand, mechanically, and with chemical when needed.
- IX. Big Thunder Statue
 - Working closely with the U of I extension Master Gardeners on site preparation and plant identification at this site.

X. Greenhouse

- Transplanting native plants to expand on our recently developed native seed nursery.
- This year Purple Milkweed and Northern Dropseed will be planted in the nursery.

XI. Blandings turtles

- Aaron has been trapping and marking Blandings turtles at Piscasaw Fen Conservation Area.
- Three turtles have been trapped this year, two males, and one female.
- All three of these turtles are outfitted with transmitters and are being tracked.
- The Blandings turtle is a state endangered species and is a good indicator species of a high quality waterway.
- The picture below shows a turtle marked with a transmitter along with the receiver and antenna used to track the turtles.



By: Bev. Kalas Volunteer/Events Coordinator

Autumn Pioneer Festival:

- . Working on volunteer letters and registration forms.*
- . Addressing envelopes for volunteers 1st mailing packet.*
- . Getting exhibitors 2nd packet together, to be mailed.*

Autumn Pioneer Festival Steering Committee:

- . Ongoing*
- . Organizing monthly meetings with committee members.*

Dawson River Road School:

- . Ongoing*

Harvest Festival:

- . Ongoing*
- . Attending monthly meetings*

Misc.

- . Attended a class at Rockford College*
- . New volunteer started working at the front desk at the Nature Center couple days a week.*
- . Covered the office when Cathie was gone.*
- . Attended a monthly business meeting to network with other groups of people.*
- . Working with Tim on getting other volunteer opportunities going.*

Ordinance No. 108

WHEREAS, the State of Illinois has enacted “An Act regulating wages of laborers, mechanics and other workers employed in any public works by the State, county, city or any public body or any political subdivision or by any one under contract for public works,” approved June 26, 1941, as amended, (Ill. Rev. Stat. 1987, Ch. 48, par. 39s-1 et seq. as amended by Public Acts 86-799 and 86-693) and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid Act requires that the Boone County Conservation District of the Boone County investigate and ascertain the prevailing rate of wages as defined in said Act for laborers, mechanics and other workers in the locality of said Boone County employed in performing construction of public works, for said Boone County Conservation District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE BOONE COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT:

SECTION 1: To the extent and as required by “An Act regulating wages of laborers, mechanics and other workers employed in any public works by State, county, city or any public body or any political subdivision or by any one under contract for public works,” approved June 26, 1941, as emended, the general prevailing rate of wages in this locality for laborers, mechanics and other workers engaged in construction of public works coming under the jurisdiction of the Boone County Conservation District is hereby ascertained to be the same as the prevailing rate of wages for construction work in Boone County area as determined by the Department of Labor of the State of Illinois as of June of the current year a copy of that determination being attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as required by said Act, any and all revisions of the prevailing rate of wages by the Department of Labor of the State of Illinois shall supercede the Department’s June determination and apply to any and all public works construction undertaken by the Boone County Conservation District. The definition of any terms appearing in this ordinance which are also used in aforesaid Act shall be the same as in said Act.

SECTION 2: Nothing herein contained shall be construed to apply said general prevailing rate of wages as herein ascertained to any work or employment except public works construction of the Boone County Conservation District to the extent required by the aforesaid Act.

SECTION 3: The Boone County Conservation District Clerk shall publicly post or keep available for inspection by any interested party in the main office of the Boone County Conservation District this determination or any revisions of such prevailing rate of wage. A copy of this determination or of the current revised determination of prevailing rate of wages then in effect shall be attached to all contract specifications

SECTION 4: The Boone County Conservation District Clerk shall mail a copy of this determination to any employer, and to any association of employers and to any person or association of employees who have filed their names and addresses, requesting copies of any determination stating the particular rates and the particular class of workers whose wages will be affected by such rates.

SECTION 5: The Boone County Conservation District Clerk shall promptly file a certified copy of this Ordinance with both the Secretary of State Index Division and the Department of Labor of the State of Illinois.

SECTION 6: The Boone County Conservation District Clerk shall cause to be published in a newspaper of general circulation within the area a copy of this Ordinance, and such publication shall constitute notice that the determination is effective and that this is the determination of this public body.

PASSED this 16th day of June, 2010.

APPROVED:

President – Board of Trustees

ATTEST:

Secretary – Board of Trustees

ORDINANCE 109

BE IT ORDAINED by the Members of the Boone County Conservation District as follows:

WHEREAS, the District has from time to time enacted penal ordinances to better control the use of its property and facilities; the District does not maintain its own police force but authorizes and welcomes enforcement of its ordinances by law enforcement officials of other jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary from time to time to prosecute Ordinance violations in the Courts of Boone County; and

WHEREAS, experience has shown that one or more representatives of the office of the Boone County State's Attorney is present in Court at almost all times District Ordinance violations appear on the Court docket; and

WHEREAS, the State's Attorney of Boone County has agreed to allow the members of her staff to appear on behalf of the District at arraignments and first returns and other scheduled Court appearances including representation at trial;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED that the Boone County State's Attorney and her designees are authorized and empowered to prosecute violations of the penal ordinances of the Boone County Conservation District on its behalf.

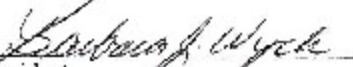
Passed at a regular monthly meeting of said Board said Boone County Conservation District this 16th day of June, 2010.

Ayes 5


Nays 0

Absent 0

APPROVED:


President

ATTEST:


Secretary

Boone County Conservation District
Check Register
For the Period From Jun 1, 2010 to Jun 30, 2010

Filter Criteria includes: Report order is by Date.

Check #	Date	Payee	Cash Account	Amount
13426	6/16/10	A.A. ANDERSON, INC.	1050	582.98
13427	6/16/10	ADVANCE AUTO PART	1050	57.45
13428	6/16/10	ALPINE BANK ACCOU	1050	12,794.00
13429	6/16/10	AVESIS	1050	77.49
13430	6/16/10	BOONE COUNTY JOUR	1050	96.00
13431	6/16/10	BOONE CTY SHOPPER	1050	542.00
13432	6/16/10	BELVIDERE DAILY RE	1050	224.70
13433	6/16/10	BELVIDERE ACE HAR	1050	22.62
13434	6/16/10	BELVIDERE WATER &	1050	18.04
13435	6/16/10	Beckley Net Underwriters	1050	1,577.00
13436	6/16/10	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	1050	553.04
13437	6/16/10	BLACKHAWK LAWN &	1050	24.97
13438	6/16/10	BLUE CROSS BLUE SHI	1050	4,847.94
13439	6/16/10	BOBCAT OF ROCKFOR	1050	222.12
13440	6/16/10	CHARLES LEE & SONS,	1050	614.37
13441	6/16/10	C. MARTIN CONSULTI	1050	250.00
13442	6/16/10	CASH	1050	100.00
13443	6/16/10	CASH	1050	135.23
13444	6/16/10	BELVIDERE CHAMBER	1050	75.00
13445	6/16/10	Cardmember Service	1050	2,090.82
13446	6/16/10	CITY OF BELVIDERE	1050	3,321.34
13447	6/16/10	COMCAST CABLE	1050	188.71
13448	6/16/10	COMED	1050	395.37
13449	6/16/10	COMED	1050	50.25
13450	6/16/10	COMED	1050	21.01
13451	6/16/10	COMED	1050	60.14
13452	6/16/10	CONSERV FS INC.	1050	90.00
13453	6/16/10	DEBORAH S. LOOS	1050	500.00
13454	6/16/10	DICK MASANZ	1050	31.50
13455	6/16/10	THE DELONG COMPA	1050	1,089.00
13456	6/16/10	FAIR FABRICATIONS	1050	75.00
13457	6/16/10	FAST LANE THREADS	1050	373.30
13458	6/16/10	FIRE & SAFETY EQUIP	1050	42.50
13459	6/16/10	HAMMER TIME SPORT	1050	344.15
13460	6/16/10	HORIZON DISTRIBUTO	1050	51.72
13461	6/16/10	ILL STATE POLICE	1050	120.00

Boone County Conservation District
Check Register
For the Period From Jun 1, 2010 to Jun 30, 2010

Filter Criteria includes: Report order is by Date.

Check #	Date	Payee	Cash Account	Amount
13462	6/16/10	IPARKS	1050	39,954.99
13463	6/16/10	LAWSON PRODUCT, IN	1050	594.52
13464	6/16/10	LORI'S LITTLE CRITTE	1050	23.36
13465	6/16/10	MDC ENVIRONMENTA	1050	374.60
13466	6/16/10	MENARDS	1050	960.69
13467	6/16/10	MR. GOODWATER	1050	22.50
13468	6/16/10	NATHAN ABEL	1050	50.00
13469	6/16/10	NAPA AUTO PARTS DI	1050	62.38
13470	6/16/10	PNC	1050	46,265.91
13471	6/16/10	NICOR	1050	88.67
13472	6/16/10	NICOR	1050	61.87
13473	6/16/10	OFFICE DEPOT	1050	135.71
13474	6/16/10	PAETEC	1050	24.72
13475	6/16/10	PETTY CASH	1050	144.50
13476	6/16/10	PHYSICIANS IMMEDIA	1050	150.00
13477	6/16/10	PLAYERS GOLF CARTS	1050	3,200.00
13478	6/16/10	RANDY BAIER CONST	1050	350.00
13479	6/16/10	R.J. DANIELS	1050	15.53
13480	6/16/10	SAM'S CLUB	1050	17.66
13481	6/16/10	SHOPKO	1050	132.18
13482	6/16/10	SULLIVAN FOODS	1050	80.31
13483	6/16/10	TWIN TOWERS	1050	40.00
13484	6/16/10	UNITED SANITATION S	1050	377.50
13485	6/16/10	OFFICE EQUIPMENT FI	1050	319.91
13486	6/16/10	US CELLULAR	1050	548.09
13487	6/16/10	VERIZON	1050	40.80
13488	6/16/10	OFFICE COPY PRODUC	1050	786.77
13489	6/16/10	ILLINOIS HERITAGE A	1050	35.00
AWD078	6/30/10	Ill. Municipal Retirement F	1050	3,872.86
AWLICENSE22	6/30/10	ILL. DEPT. NATURAL R.	1050	141.00
Total				<u><u>130,531.79</u></u>