



Board Meeting Minutes

March 21, 2023, 6:00 p.m.

6028 Camp Ernst Rd., Burlington, KY 41005, Rouse Room

ZOOM: Meeting ID: 853 0233 3087 Passcode: 688665

Present: Board Supervisors Matt Wooten, Debra Waller, Kathy King, Mike Wilson, Shannon Galbraith-Kent, Ph.D., Kevin Bond. Staff members Mark Jacobs, Susan Brown and Pavla Link. Guest: Ian Young (NRCS)

I. CALL TO ORDER: Matt Wooten called meeting to order at 6:06pm.

II. MINUTES:

- a. February 21, 2023 Board Meeting Minutes To Approve – Kathy King made motion to approve, Debra Waller seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion passed.

III. TREASURER’S REPORT:

- a. Mike Wilson presented February 2023 Treasurer’s Report – Kevin Bond made motion to accept the report, Debra Waller seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion passed.
- b. Per Diem – Mike Wilson presented Per Diem summary. Debra Waller made motion to approve March Per Diem with the addition of March 15, 2023 Area 5 Meeting for Kathy King, Kevin Bond seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion passed.
- c. Mike Wilson gave update on FY 2020-2021 Audit – Audit was completed with zero findings. Report will be sent to DOC by Tichenor and Associates.

IV. DISTRICT REPORTS:

- a. Division of Conservation (DOC) Reports – presented by Matt Wooten.
- b. NRCS Report – presented by Ian Young. EQIP pre-obligation contracts are in process. Technician position / vacancy in Burlington will be posted by the end of March.
- c. District Staff Report Questions – Read independently, no questions.
- d. Junior Board Report –Susan Brown gave report.

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- a. FY 2023-2024 Budget Discussion Update – Matt Wooten gave an update on conversation between Margo Grubbs and Boone County Judge Executive, Gary Moore. Budget meeting is to be scheduled soon. Board approved FY 2023-2024 Budget is to be submitted to DOC and Fiscal Court. Kathy King made motion to authorize Matt Wooten to continue budget communication with Boone County Fiscal Court, Debra Waller seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion passed.
- b. Boone County Ohio River Initiative (BCORI) – No update.
- c. LIM Property Update – Mark Jacobs gave an update. Meeting is scheduled with KDFWR on March 30, 2023 to discuss stream mitigation and other projects on the property. Mark Jacobs informed the Board that another property may be available for purchase soon and

requested authorization to apply for a grant from the Kentucky Heritage Land Conservation Fund (KHLCF). This property also presents opportunity for stream mitigation project. Mike Wilson made motion to authorize the application process to begin, Kathy King seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion passed.

- d.** Boone County's 225th Anniversary (Bus Tour – April 24, 2023, 9:30am from BCPL) – Mark gave an update. Celebration is to be scheduled for June 1, 2024. Above mentioned bus tour is the beginning of research for successful event. Names of anyone interested are to be submitted to Bridgett at BCPL.

VI. NEW BUSINESS:

- a.** Area 5 Meeting / KACD – Kathy King gave a brief report.
- b.** Heavy Material Removal Environmental Grant Fund reallocation request – Pavla Link asked the Board to send a request for reallocation of \$5,578.09 from the Heavy Material Removal / Farm Dump Fund to Conservation Education Fund to the Kentucky Soil and Water Conservation Committee due to lack of interest and applications. If approved, the reallocated funds will be used for K-12 and Family Conservation Education Programs, Conservation Kids Camp and L.E.A.F.! Academy. Mike Wilson made motion to approve the request, Kevin Bond seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion passed.
- c.** Ag District #008-14 Recertification *– Pavla Link presented documentation supporting landowner request for recertification of Agricultural District #008-14 for a period of 5 years. Kathy King made motion to recommend the recertification as presented, Mike Wilson seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion passed.
- d.** 2023 Scholarship Applications - Susan Brown presented 2023 scholarship applications (4 received). Kathy King made motion to award BCCDKY 2023 Scholarships in the amount of \$1,000 each to Kim Furlong and Madeline Thompson. Matt Wooten seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion passed.
- e.** Scholarship Application – Proposed Changes – Susan Brown presented proposed changes to BCCDKY Scholarship Application. Following brief discussion Kathy King made motion to approve the proposed changes as presented, Matt Wooten seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion passed.

VII. REMINDERS:

- a.** Salamander Search – March 25, 2023, 12pm-2pm – rescheduled to April 2, 2023 and April 15, 2023.
- b.** Earth Day - Garlic Mustard Picking Day – Dinsmore Woods – time TBD (Boone County Parks event)
- c.** Community Activities Fair – Boone County Farmer's Market – May 20, 2023, 9am-1pm
- d.** Birding by Kayak – Boone's Landing - May 20, 2023, 9am-12pm
- e.** Discovery Days – Big Bone Lick State Park – June 10, 2023, 11am-2pm
- f.** Family Nature Day – Boone Woods – June 17, 2023, 10am-12pm

VIII. COMMITTEE MEETING DATES:

- a.** Land Use Committee
- b.** Education Committee
- c.** HR Committee
- d.** Budget Committee
- e.** Executive Committee Meeting
- f.** Government Affairs Committee Meeting

- IX. ADJOURN:** Debra Waller made motion to adjourn, Kathy King seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion passed. Meeting Adjourned at 7:23pm.