



LINN COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

MEETING AGENDA

Monday, October 27, 2025 | 10:30 AM
Jean Oxley Public Service Center Informal Board Room
935 Second Street SW, Cedar Rapids, IA 52404



- I. Call to Order/Roll Call**
- II. Meeting with Linn County Board of Supervisors and the University of Iowa IIHR-Hydrosience and Engineering**
 1. Presentation by IIHR-Hydrosience and Engineering Flood Center with updates on the Iowa Water Quality Network
 2. Discuss various water quality initiatives
 3. Other water discussions if necessary
- III. Public Comment: Five Minute Limit per Speaker**
- IV. Consent Agenda**
 1. Approve minutes of the September 22, 2025 monthly meeting
 2. Approve claims and expenditures – Claims list # 2026-4
 3. Receive and place on file the September 2025 financial/budget report
 4. Receive and place on file the September 2025 activity report
 5. Acceptance of Gifts
 1. Gift #46-2025 – Monetary donation (\$150) from Jacqueline Bannister for the Animal Ambassador Fund at Wickiup Hill.
 2. Gift #47-2025 – Monetary donation (\$100) from Iowa Master Naturalists in recognition of Kent Rector for use at Wickiup Hill.
 6. Capital Improvement Program updates
- V. Regular Agenda**
 1. Approve consent agenda. (Conservation Board)
 2. Discuss and decide regarding authorizing staff to submit a Water Quality Initiative Grant through the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship for a water quality wetland at Stark Settlement Natural Area and authorize staff to sign the application. (Gibbins)
 3. Discuss and decide on Resolution #2025-30 setting the date and time for a public hearing regarding wetland construction projects at the Linn Learning

Farm, Project 22-25. (Gibbins)

4. Discuss and decide regarding approving a Prairie Partners Cost Share Agreement with the Iowa Department of Natural Resources for establishing prairie at Matsell Bridge Natural Area and authorize the Director to sign the agreement. (Gibbins)
5. Discuss and decide regarding Wickiup Hill Learning Center remodeling projects and authorize the Director to sign the contracts, Project 3-25. (Goemaat)
6. Discuss and decide regarding approving an agricultural lease at Wanatee Park to prepare the fields for pollinator plantings and authorize the Director to sign the lease. (Gibbins)
7. Discuss and decide regarding a contract with Larkspur Ecological Restoration for invasive species control work at Wanatee Park and authorize the Director to sign the contract. (Gibbins)
8. Discuss the preliminary Conservation Board FY27 budget. (Goemaat)

VI. Board Member/Staff Reports

1. Ryan Schlader – Community Outreach and Marketing.
2. Updates:
 1. Metro High School's Metro Outdoor update regarding the Boundary Waters wilderness trip. (Rector)

VII. Public Comment: Five Minute Limit per Speaker

VIII. Adjournment

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