

**Worth County Conservation Board**  
**Minutes**  
**January 3, 2013**

Vice-president Smith called the meeting to order at 7:06PM. Other Board members present were Justin Faber, and Jeff Vansteenburgh. Also present were Dan Block, Dean Mueller, and Jim Hanson.

Faber moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Vansteenburgh, motion carried.

Vansteenburgh was sworn in as an appointed board member by Smith.

Smith moved to approve the minutes of the December meeting, seconded by Faber, motion carried.

Faber moved to have the officers positions remain the same for the year, second by Smith, motion carried.

Mueller gave the Directors Report

1. Budget has been submitted.
2. All aerators are working. One did have a line freeze up. The one around the heat exchanger seems to working for the geothermal system.
3. We did get a fish habitat grant to build the J hook weirs at the Swensrud area. (With approval from the NRC)
4. Stark did pay his rent for the past year and will have the property for this spring. We should review the lease and get a new one in place.
5. Brett, Jim and I will be attending the PF Habitat meeting on Jan. 12 in Dickenson Co.
6. Winterfest is Jan. 22 – 24 this year and all staff will be attending.
7. We have OSHA training scheduled on Jan. 10.
8. The spring board member meeting is on March 9 in Ames at Reimen Gardens.
9. There is a retirement reception for Milt Ownen, Friday, Jan. 25.

Smith moved to accept the Directors Report, seconded by Faber, motion carried.

Block gave the Naturalist Report

12/3/2012	CS 7	Hunter Safety (2)
12/4/2012	CS 7	Hunter Safety (2)
12/5/2012	CS 7	Hunter Safety (2)
12/6/2012	CS 7	Hunter Safety (2)
12/7/2012	CS 7	Hunter Safety (2)
12/10/2012	CS 7	Hunter Safety (2)
12/10/2012	CS 12	Wild Game cooking
12/11/2012	CS 7	Hunter Safety (2)
12/11/2012	St An 6	MT St Helens and volcanoes (2)

12/13/2012	CS 7	Hunter Safety (2)
12/14/2012	CS 7	Hunter Safety (2)
12/17/2012	St An 6	Fur Trade (2)
12/18/2012	CS 7	Hunter Safety (2)
12/19/2012	CS 7	Hunter Safety (2)

26 programs in December

Hunter Safety at Nora Springs, again, well received by the school.  
 Have posted naturalist internship announcement.  
 Investigated possibility of leasing 2nd van for the summer.

Smith moved to approve the Naturalist Report, second by Faber, motion carried.

Faber made a motion to add line items for; assistants salary, and field trips, also to go with the compensation board recommendation of 2.8% for salary increase rather than the 2 % approved at the December meeting, seconded by Smith, motion carried.

After discussion on the storage building it was decided to have a public meeting after hearing from the architects.

Smith moved to apply for a WCDA grant for the fish habitat work to be done at Silver Lake, second by Faber, motion carried.

Smith moved to send a letter of support for the sales tax initiative, send by Faber, motion carried.

Faber moved to pay the following bills

Worth Co Engineer	\$2,086.02	fuel
Hogan Lawn Care	\$995.00	mowing, stump removal
Alliant Energy	\$854.98	
Visa	\$656.77	hotel, meals
Ion Exchange	\$506.25	prairie seed
IACCBE	\$370.00	Winterfest
Northwood Electric	\$325.72	KQ line repair
Northwood Lumber	\$256.93	lumber
Hubber Supply	\$250.00	bench grinder
A&I	\$248.72	tire repair
City Shoe	\$195.95	uniform
Heartland Power	\$149.09	electricity
Car Quest	\$126.50	parts
Mark's Tractor	\$114.25	parts
Manly Junction Signal	\$100.00	newsletter
Northwood Anchor	\$100.00	newsletter
Diamond Mowers, Inc	\$99.60	parts

Truax Co., Inc	\$81.97	drill parts
North Country Equipment	\$71.90	parts, shipping
Media Com	\$59.95	cable
Fallgaters	\$30.40	supplies
Pheasants Forever	\$30.00	registration
City of Northwood	\$17.00	water
D&L Equipment	\$13.85	parts
	\$7,740.85	

Seconded by Smith, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:08 P.M.

Submitted by:

Approved by:

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Jim Hanson  
Deputy Director

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Jeff Vansteenburgh  
President