

SIOSA Board of Directors Meeting July 19th, 2012/August 24, 2012

Present: Casey Campbell, Dave Whittlesey, John Orvis, Rich Erke, Jen Abraham, Andrew Kellner, Dick Hillyard, Mark Erke & Gregg Pattison

Casey opened meeting at 6:00 p.m.

Rich motioned to approve the minutes from the June meeting and Andy seconded.

Treasurer's Report: July

Regular Account:

Balance as of 6/21/2012	\$8,005.91
<i>Credits:</i>	
6/30 - Interest	+\$0.07
 <i>Debits:</i>	
6/21 - ck# 1063 - Jennifer Abraham Remaining 50% website design to Ratchford (REAP)	-\$482.50
6/21 - ck# 1064 - Jennifer Abraham SIOSA Website Upgrades	-\$395.00
6/21 ck# 1065 - Brian White Burn videos (REAP FUNDS)	-\$600.00
7/14 ck# 1066 - Jennifer Abraham (June fee)	-\$400.00
Balance 7/19/2012	\$6,128.48

Federal Account:

Balance of as 6/21/2012	\$109,768.53
<i>Credits:</i>	
6/30 - Interest	+\$0.90
 <i>Debits:</i>	
6/21 - ck# 1067 - Mike Burges Oak Savanna restoration on 9 ac., Madison Co., IA by Adaptive Wildlife Management	-\$810.00
6/21 - ck# 1068 - Randy Gamble Oak Savanna restoration on 8 ac., Madison Co., IA by Adaptive Wildlife Management	-\$504.00
Balance 7/19/2012	\$108,455.43

Treasurer's Report: August

Regular Account:

Balance as of 7/19/2012	\$6,128.48
<i>Credits:</i>	
7/30 - Interest	+\$0.05
7/28 - David Whittlesey	+\$25.00
 <i>Debits:</i>	
8/18 - ck# 1067 - Jennifer Abraham July fee	-\$400.00

Balance 8/24/2012	\$5,753.53
Federal Account:	
Balance of as 7/19/2012	\$108,455.43
<i>Credits:</i>	
7/31 - Interest	+\$0.93
<i>Debits:</i>	
None	<u>\$0.00</u>
Balance 7/19/2012	\$108,456.36

Casey motioned to approve July Treasurer's Report, Rich seconded and the motion was carried.
Mark motioned to approve August Treasurer's Report, John Seconded and the motion was carried.

Committee Reports

1. Habitat and Restoration (Gregg)

- a. Madison Co.: Acheson property being restored using hack and squirt technique through Adaptive Wildlife Management (40 ac.)
- b. Decatur Co.: Little River Recreational Area's grasslands and savanna are being worked on by Midwest Land Restoration (MWLR). Firebreaks are being installed and MWLR is also some worked being done on boy scout property to reduce the amount of honeysuckle. There are some new landowners who have signed up and multiple sites are being treated for *Sericea lespedeza*. Work is also being done on Dick Hillyard's property.
- c. Clarke Co.: Turkey Ridge continues to manage their grassland, savanna/timber areas. Vaughn prairie, north of Osceola is getting some attention. This is conservation board land and they are applying the hack and squirt method for this restoration.

2. Outreach

- a. The newsletter will be created this upcoming month as an end of summer newsletter. Gregg will share a couple articles with Jen to add to the document.
- b. There is a conservation board annual meeting to be held at Little River September 14th, 2012. The board will determine a slogan to put on lighters that can be given away at the event to promote SIOSA and the cause of prescribed burning. Jen will lead the search for a slogan and add the event to the appropriate calendars and websites.

Old Business

People on committees: No updates

Field Certification for 130/190 fire training, rescheduled: Gregg scheduled the class for September 22nd, 2012

Fall Burn Workshop: The group decided that the next burn workshop would be held November 3rd at the Little River Watershed.

New Business

Field Day at Orvis Farm August 24th: Tentative agenda for the field day -

1. Helga (Quail Management)
2. Gregg (Historical Review)
3. Kevin (NRCS programs)
4. Speaker from Missouri
5. Pauline Drobney

Dave Whittlesey hopes to be able to talk to landowners about fish/pond management
Andy motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:37 pm and Casey seconded, carried.