President Myers called to order the Regular Meeting of the Vermilion County Conservation District Board of Trustees to order at 12:05 p.m. and opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

Roll call showed the following:

Trustees Present:  Allen E. Cooke  
Jonathan A. Myers  
Perry A. Jaynes  

Trustee(s) Absent:  Nikki A. Bogart  
B. Dirk Porter  

Also in attendance was Jamie Pasquale, Associate Director.

There were no staff members present.

First order of business, agenda item number four, was the Adoption of, or Amendments to the Agenda.

*Trustee Cooke moved to approve the agenda as presented. This was followed by a second from Trustee Jaynes. All in favor by acclamation, motion to approve the agenda carried.*

Agenda item number five was Approval of Minutes. *Trustee Cooke moved to approve the Regular Meeting minutes of October 21, 2015, the Special Meeting minutes of November 2, 2015, and the Special Meeting minutes from November 12, 2015. This was followed by a second from Trustee Jaynes. All in favor by acclamation, motion carried.*

Agenda item number six was Audience Comments. There were none.
Agenda item number seven was the Treasurer’s Report. Associate Director Pasquale reported that the Cash and Investment report was dated December 9, 2015, not current. There were no questions.

Trustee Jaynes moved to approve the treasurer’s report, items seven a. through seven f.

Agenda Item number eight was Specific Items of Business to be Transacted.

Agenda item 8. A. Discuss/Approve Kickapoo Rail Trail Lease Agreement with Pierce Racing, Oakwood. The trustees reviewed the lease, there were no questions. With no discussion, Trustee Cooke moved to approve the Pierce lease agreement as presented. This was followed by a second from Trustee Jaynes. All in favor by acclamation, motion carried.

Agenda item 8 B. Approve Specifications for Workman’s Compensation Insurance. After review and no questions or discussion, Trustee Jaynes moved to approve the workman’s compensation insurance specifications as presented. This was followed by a second from Trustee Cooke. All in favor by acclamation, motion carried.

Agenda item 8 C. Approve Bid for 2016 for Workman’s Compensation Insurance. There was one bid received for $13,251.00 from Dimond Brothers Insurance. With no discussion, Trustee Cooke moved to approve the bid from Dimond Brothers Insurance for workman’s compensation insurance as presented. This was followed by a second from Trustee Jaynes. All in favor by acclamation, motion carried.

Agenda item 8 D. Approve 2016 V.C.C.D. User Fee Schedule. Executive Director Konsis had provided a revised 2016 User Fee Schedule and Building & Shelter Fee Schedule. President Myers recommended a 10% increase [rounded] from the current 2015 base price fee schedule, and the elimination of the seasonal rate fees.

With no further discussion, Trustee Jaynes moved to approve a 10% increase on all V.C.C.D. User Fees and Building and Fee Rental Fees. This was followed by a second from Trustee Cooke. All in favor by acclamation, motion carried.

Agenda item 8 E. Approve 2016 V.C.C.D. Board Meeting Calendar. After review of the listing of meeting dates for 2016, Trustee Jaynes moved to approve the 2016 V.C.C.D. Board Meeting Dates as presented. This was followed by a second from Trustee Cooke. All in favor by acclamation, motion carried.

Agenda number nine was Executive Session. There was nothing to discuss.

Agenda item number ten was President’s Comments.

President Myers began a discussion of the process for removal of board members for not attending meetings. He requested the reappointment of the V.C.C.D. Board Secretary to be placed as an agenda item for the January 2016 Regular Meeting agenda.
Trustee Jaynes stated that the Bismarck Key Club would need service hours this summer. The V.C.C.D. should make a list of projects they could assist the District with.

Trustee Cooke asked if the holiday lights at Kennekuk could be turned on nightly, Trustee Jaynes and President Myers agreed.

Associate Director Pasquale advised he would have the lights turned on nightly until the end of the year.

With no further discussion and all business transacted, Trustee Cooke moved to adjourn the meeting at 12:23 p.m. This was followed by a second from Trustee Jaynes. Meeting adjourned.

Nikki A. Bogart
Secretary
V.C.C.D. Board of Trustees