



**LHA PROTECTION  
COMMITTEE DRAFT MINUTES**

**Wednesday, May 4, 2022  
11:00 AM Loess Hills Brent S. Olson  
Visitor's Center–Pisgah, Iowa**

The Protection Committee of the LHA met Wednesday, May 4, 2022 at 11:00 A.M. at the Loess Hills Brent S. Olson Visitor's Center. Those in attendance: Scott Nelson, Graham McGaffin, and Brian Shea.

The meeting was called to order at 11:11 A.M. by Chairman, Graham McGaffin.

**APPROVE AGENDA** – A motion to approve the May 4, 2022 Agenda was made by Scott Nelson, seconded by Brian Shea. Motion Carried.

**APPROVE MINUTES** – A motion to approve the November 3, 2021 Protection Committee Meeting Minutes was made by Brian Shea, seconded by Scott Nelson. Motion Carried.

**BUDGET UPDATE** –Graham reported that total Protection Committee budget is \$10, 050.00. At this time, the 2022 legislative session is still in process. The FY22-23 State funding budget for the Loess Hills Alliance has not been finalized.

**OLD BUSINESS**- No "Old Business" at this time.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- Quick Review of Ongoing LHA Protection Committee Funded Projects

The Protection Committee helped fund Loess Hills Vegetation Management projects on the Armstrong property, Harrison County and the Monona Complex, Monona County. With the help of summer interns, CCI, contractors, and INHF staff, restoration activities were focused on vegetation management through invasive species removal, prescribed fires, seed harvests, and cedar removal.

- Review Account Balance & Discuss FY22 RFP for Protection Committee

At this time, the Protection Committee budget funding of \$10,050.00 will be used towards the 2022 RFP Grant funding process. If the FY22-23 state funding is allocated for the Loess Hills Alliance, more funding for the RFP will be available. The RFP will be sent out to the LHA Members and the media in August and be due back in the office by the 1<sup>st</sup> week of October.

ANNOUNCEMENT

NEXT MEETING DATE – August 3, 2022

ADJOURN – Chairman, Graham McGaffin adjourned the meeting at 11:51 AM.