

# Mower County Planning Commission

County Court House  
Austin, Minnesota 55912

The 195th regular meeting was called to order by the chairman April 29, 1975 with the following members present:

Richard Anderson	Grace Dooley	Roger Peck
Dale Braaten	Stella Jensen	Wm. Rugg
M. E. Chesebrough	John Kramer	Lee Thompson

Dave Benson and Bruce Thompson represented the staff. Minutes of the last regular meeting were read and approved on a motion by Richard Anderson seconded by Stella Jensen.

A motion by Dale Braaten seconded by Stella Jensen to accept petitions SP 89 Francis Ratigan for a permit for livestock feeding operation and SP 91 Crystal Laugan for operation of a commercial dog kennel for action at this meeting carried.

SP 86 Michael A. Lauritzen and Austin B. Lux to waive platting requirements for transfer of land within the family was presented with the investigation committee report recommending approval. A motion by Dale Braaten seconded by Grace Fooley to accept the report and recommend approval to the County Board carried unanimously.

SP 53 Robert Hyland for renewal of a permit for operation of a gravel pit was presented with the investigation committee report recommending approval with the added restriction to those conditions already in existence that no digging be allowed below the water table. A motion by John Kramer seconded by Stella Jensen to accept the report and recommend approval to the County Board carried unanimously.

SP 89 Francis Ratigan for a livestock feeding operation permit on approximately three acres in NE $\frac{1}{4}$  NW $\frac{1}{4}$  SE $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. 19 Frankford Twp. was presented with the report of the investigation committee recommending denial because of PCA regulations and land development trends, accompanied by the fact that there are several residences to the west of the property. A motion by Roger Peck seconded by Stella Jensen to accept the report and recommend denial of the petition to the County Board carried unanimously.

A letter from Ronald Tucker regarding SP61A for use of property in Red Rock Township for bottled gas storage. Mr. Tucker requested withdrawal of the permit because he will not be using the property for this purpose. A motion by Dale Braaten seconded by Grace Dooley to withdraw the petition carried unanimously.

Correspondence regarding a permit for a dog kennel for Pearl M. Jester was read and the accompanying petition SP90 Pearl M. Jester was accepted on a motion by Stella Jensen seconded by Richard Anderson.

Grace Dooley reported on the meeting with the County Board regarding the restriction on the number of junkyards in the county: the board is against a "number restriction" policy being placed on junkyards.

SP87 Clyde Ellis to obtain a special permit for operation of an automobile/farm machinery salvage yard on his property in N $\frac{1}{2}$  SE $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. 29 Red Rock Twp. was presented with the investigating committee report recommending approval with conditions of effective screening. Mr. Ellis presented a letter from Wilbur Jennings of Spring Valley stating that he has been receiving scrap from Mr. Ellis since 1965. Several area residents expressed their concern over so many junkyards in the area. A motion by Lee Thompson seconded by Dale Braaten to accept the report

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of the Investigation Committee and recommend approval to the County Board with the same conditions applied to the Paul Ellis petition with a clear definition of the 5 acres involved, permit to be granted to July 1, 1976 to be renewed yearly after that. The motion carried unanimously.

SP 91 Crystal Laugen for a special permit for operating a commercial dog kennel on their property located on Outlot 9 of Feeley Outlots, Section 14, Austin Twp. was presented with the report of the Investigating Committee recommending approval of the permit with the limitation of 10 adult dogs permanently on the site. A motion by Grace Dooley seconded by Stella Jensen to accept the report and recommend approval to the County Board with the condition of limitation to 10 adult dogs, the permit to be until July 1, 1976 to be renewed annually. The motion carried unanimously.

The commission agreed to a special meeting May 13 to discuss changes in the Zoning Ordinance and agricultural zoning. The meeting adjourned on a motion by Wm. Rugg seconded by Dale Braaten.

*Grace M. Dooley*  
Secretary