

Mower County Planning Commission

County Court House
Austin, Minnesota 55912

The regular meeting was called to order by the chairman March 30, 1976 with the following members present:

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

Staff: Bruce Thompson Brian Peterson

Representatives of Lansing and Austin Town Boards and concerned property owners.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and accepted on a motion by Dale Braaten seconded by Stella Jensen.

SP 115 Elner Dillavou for waiver of platting requirements in order to sell 4.12 acres in Sec. 18-T101N R17W with buildings from the remainder of the farm. Investigating Committee report and Staff report were given recommending approval. A motion by John Kramer seconded by Wm. Douty to accept the Committee report and recommend approval of the petition to the County Commissioners carried unanimously.

SP 116 Edgar A., Richard A. and JoAnn L. Emerson for waiver of platting requirements on 2.7 acres of undeveloped land out of 40 acres in Sec. 14 Austin Twp. to be held by them for pasture with the remainder of the farm to be sold. Investigating Committee and Staff reports were presented recommending approval of the petition. Correspondence from Wm. Buckley, County Sanitarian, pointed out the low percolation rate in this particular area makes the property undesirable for a septic tank should a home construction be considered. Representatives of Austin Town Board suggested the possibility of attaching a restriction to the petition regarding development as a building site. A motion by Wm. Milbrath seconded by Dale Braaten to accept the reports and recommend approval of the petition to the County Commissioners carried unanimously.

SP 114 James Price and Eddie True for a special permit to operate a body and paint shop on Mr. True's property located in Sec. 25 Austin Twp. The Investigating Committee was given recommending approval of the petition, and the Staff report recommended approval subject to restrictions on location of the building, parking area, screening and hours of operation. Several neighboring property owners were present to voice objection to the petition. A motion by Stella Jensen seconded by John Kramer to table the petition for further investigation carried.

Wm. Milbrath asked to be excused from the remainder of the meeting because of his involvement with the Engen petition. QJ 87 Nettie and Leland Engen to rezone 75.3 acres in N $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 22-T103-R18W (Lansing Twp.) from Rural to Commercial was presented. The Investigating Committee report and Staff report were given recommending denial of the petition because of the large area involved with no specific plans for its use. Charles French of Milbrath Associates and Philip Richardson spoke for the Engens. Neighboring farm property owners voiced objection to the rezoning such as possible curtailment of current farming operations and added drainage from a commercial area located next to another commercial area now experiencing sanitary problems. Several letters of approval of the rezoning from

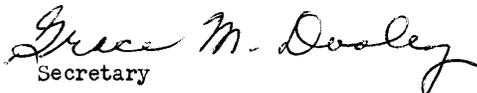
adjacent commercial property owners were presented. After much discussion a motion by Grace Dooley seconded by Dale Braaten to table action until the next meeting to permit further study on the petition carried.

Brian Peterson reported on an application for FHA funds from Grand Meadow to construct a new village well and asked for a recommendation of approval from the Commission. A motion by Grace Dooley seconded by John Kramer that the Planning Commission go on record approving the application carried. He also reported that the Cedar River Shoreland Management had omitted Sections 10 and 15 of Austin Township which is now designated as General Development south of the city and Natural Development north of the city.

SP 117 Craig Farlinger to waive platting requirements on 3.5 acres in Adams Township was accepted and referred to the Investigating Committee on a motion by Wm. Douty seconded by Lee Thompson.

Discussion followed on action to be taken on the list of illegal sewer systems in the County. The Commission felt the survey should be updated before taking action. Waiver of Platting requirements within 1 mile of the city or villages and IH90 was discussed briefly.

The meeting adjourned on a motion by Dale Braaten seconded by Roger Peck.


Secretary