

# Mower County Planning Commission

County Court House  
Austin, Minnesota 55912

A special meeting was called by the Chairman January 18, 1977 to discuss changes in the Zoning Ordinance. Members present:

Dale Braaten	Richard Cummings	Roger Peck	Conrad Stemson
M. E. Chesebrough	Grace Dooley	Wm. Rugg	

Staff: Daryl Franklin      Jim Harberts      Chris Huang  
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The regular meeting was called to order by the Chairman January 24, 1977 with the following present:

Richard Anderson	Richard Cummings	John Kramer	Conrad Stemson
Dale Braaten	Grace Dooley	Roger Peck	
M. E. Chesebrough	Stella Jensen	Wm. Rugg	

Staff: Wm. Buckley      Jim Harberts      Chris Huang

Minutes of the last regular meeting were read and accepted on a motion by Dale Braaten seconded by Richard Anderson.

Wm. Buckley, County Sanitarian, reviewed the sanitary and sewer situation on 218S. next to the city limits, and discussion between the Planning Commission and several property owners from the area took place. The area has been studied for annexation to the City of Austin; however no results of the study were available, and a motion by Stella Jensen seconded by Dale Braaten to table further discussion until this information is available carried. Mr. Buckley also stated that there are only 10 illegal outlets on the three roads designated for investigation and more information will be presented at the February meeting.

SP 144 Donald N. and Dawn O. Cooper for permit to operate a demolition landfill for tires on 2½ acres in Sec. 36 Racine Twp. tabled from last meeting was again presented with correspondence from MPCA and the County Sanitarian approving the permit with conditions. A motion by Stella Jensen seconded by Conrad Stemson to recommend approval of a temporary permit to July 1, 1980 with the eight conditions recommended by the County Sanitarian carried unanimously.

SP 146 Bruce Plante, Jr. of Austin Homesteads for permit to operate a dog kennel was presented with the Investigation report. Mr. Plante stated to the Investigation Committee that he no longer intends to raise dogs for sale and is endeavoring to dispose of the 14 puppies with the intent of keeping only 3 adult dogs for his private use. The Committee felt Mr. Plante has no need for a special permit and recommends Mr. Plante withdraw the petition. A motion by Stella Jensen seconded by Grace Dooley that the report be accepted and the petition be tabled until next meeting or until notice of withdrawal of petition is received carried.

SP 68 Arnold Wiste, a special permit for vinyl topping repairs only was presented with charge of violation of the permit and the Mower County Zoning Ordinance because Mr. Wiste is selling used cars at this location. Mr. Wiste stated that he has purchased the Gary Smith property at the west side of Austin and will be moving all his business to the new location in about 90 days. A motion by Wm. Rugg seconded by Dale Braaten to continue Mr. Wiste's permit until July 1, 1977 carried.

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SP 147 Thomas and Luella Berg, Blooming Prairie for waiver of platting requirements to permit sale of 4 acres containing the homestead from the remainder of their farm in Sec. 10<sup>34</sup> Udolpho Twp. was presented with the Investigation Report recommending approval. A motion by Dale Braaten seconded by Richard Cummings to accept the report and recommend approval to the County Commissioners carried unanimously.

Applications for water for irrigation from Robert Alexander, R.R. 1 and Sheldon and Dean Lukes, R.R. 3 were presented for review. After discussion a motion by Dale Braaten seconded by Roger Peck that the Planning Commission go on record opposing issuance of permits for wells for irrigation until DNR presents a thorough inventory of water resources determining that issuance of permits will not deny water to existing farms and homes in the area carried unanimously.

The matter of changes in the Zoning Ordinance was discussed, and a motion by Dale Braaten seconded by Grace Dooley to recommend the addition of a section relative to duties of the Board of Adjustment and a section on Conditional Use permits carried unanimously.

Wm. Milbrath requested to be excused from Planning Commission meetings from January 18 through March 8 to attend professional continuing education sessions.

The meeting adjourned on a motion by Dale Braaten seconded by Conrad Stenson.

*Grace M. Dooley*  
Secretary