

Mower County Planning Commission

County Court House
Austin, Minnesota 55912

A special meeting was called to order by the chairman January 17, 1979 for the purpose of conducting preliminary hearings on the proposed Floodplain Ordinance for Mower County, amendments to the Sewage Disposal and Waste Ordinance, and to the Solid Waste Management Ordinance. The following were present:

Ray Capelle	Stella Jensen	Duane Hansen
M. E. Chesebrough	Roger Peck	Daryl Franklin
Grace Dooley	Jen Ulwelling	Wm. Buckley

Minutes of the last regular meeting were approved as received on a motion by Roger Peck seconded by Stella Jensen.

Discussion on the Floodplain Ordinance for Mower County was continued, and it was proof-read for previously determined changes. The members were still not satisfied with the proposed basis for repair or reconstruction of non-conforming uses proposed in Sections 11.12 and 11.15. Members of the FACTS group were present and were invited to comment on the ordinance. Arthur Peck, as spokesman, voiced dissatisfaction of the basis for repair or reconstruction in Sections 11.12 and 11.15 and with the flood plain areas as shown on the proposed maps. He stated that as a result of his group's study, some areas were designated in the floodplain that should not be there. A motion by Stella Jensen seconded by Ray Capelle that the Mower County Planning Commission recommend approval of the proposed ordinance subject to a more reasonable basis for repair or reconstruction of non-conforming uses in sections 11.12 and 11.15 and clarification of the floodplain areas on the maps carried unanimously.

The FACTS group expressed concern regarding a proposed modification of the Turtle Creek Watershed Area and its impact on the Cedar River water flow and requested the Planning Commission to do what they could to obtain an answer to this request. A motion by Roger Peck seconded by Grace Dooley that we recommend that the Mower County Commissioners contact the Turtle Creek Watershed Board regarding their proposed modification of the Turtle Creek Watershed Area and request a study of the impact of increased water flow on the Cedar River carried.

Wm. Buckley presented a summary of the proposed changes in the Sewage Disposal Ordinance necessitated by changes in the State of Minnesota regulations. After discussion a motion by Roger Peck seconded by Jen Ulwelling to recommend approval of the proposed Individual Sewage Disposal System Standards as amended with Wm. Buckley preparing copies of the changes for the County Commissioners carried unanimously.

Discussion on the proposed amendments to the Solid Waste Management Ordinance was held and several solid waste carriers were present and expressed concerns about some of the proposals. No action was taken.

The meeting adjourned on a motion by Ray Capelle seconded by Grace Dooley.

Grace M. Dooley
Secretary