

Mower County Planning Commission

County Court House
Austin, Minnesota 55912

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman August 28, 1979 with the following members present:

Ray Capelle	John Hill	Wm. Rugg
Grace Dooley	Joe Monsen	Conrad Stenson
Duane Hanson	Roger Peck	Jen Ulwelling

Staff: Chris Huang

Minutes of the last meeting were accepted as received on a motion by Conrad Stenson seconded by John Hill.

CUP 247 Jack Slowinski SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 1 Windom Twp. (5 acres) for a permit to allow him to operate a feed lot on less than 80 acres was presented with Staff report recommending approval subject to the County Sanitarian's report and Jen Ulwelling, representing the Planning Commission agreed on the recommendation. After discussion a motion by Jen Ulwelling seconded by Grace Dooley to recommend approval of the petition to the County Commissioners as a permanent non-transferable permit subject to soil borings by Soil Conservation Service and approval of the plans and specifications of the facility by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency carried unanimously.

CUP 139 Janice Miller renewal of a special permit with a request to enlarge the capacity now permitted was presented with staff report and Planning Commission report by Jen Ulwelling, both recommending approval of the petition subject to conditions. A motion by Joe Monsen seconded by Jen Ulwelling to recommend approval of a temporary non-transferable permit to be renewed in July, 1982 with a limit of 50 dogs over 8 weeks old on the property carried unanimously.

CUP 105 renewal Ervin Dietrich on 3.04 acres in Outlot 21 Sec. 29 LeRoy Twp. was presented with Staff report and Commission representative report recommending approval of the petition. Discussion followed on the use of the property, and it was noted that the petition carried a request for "repair" which is not included on the present permit, and there was a question as to the status of the property on the Minnesota Highway Dept. list of junkyards. A motion by Ray Capelle seconded by Joe Monsen to table the petition until next meeting to permit a check with the Highway Dept. and to ask Mr. Dietrich to be at the next meeting to answer questions carried.

CU 109 and CUP 248, Great Plains Supply Co. and Carl and Evelyn Larson were presented. CU 109 is a petition to rezone 5 acres in NE corner of S $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 16 Red Rock Twp. from Rural to Commercial to permit construction of a lumber yard and house construction center; CUP 248 is for waiver of platting on the same property. Staff and Planning Commission representative reports were presented recommending denial because this would constitute spot zoning; would establish a precedent for similar requests along TH 56, leading to strip zoning; it may create a traffic hazard on a high speed traffic highway; and the property in question is prime agricultural land. Don Hatten, representing

Great Plains Supply Co., answered questions from the members, and Oscar Wollenberg, property owner, expressed opposition to the petitions for the same reasons, emphasizing the increased encroachment on prime agricultural land. A motion by Roger Peck to recommend approval of the petitions failed for lack of a second. A motion by Grace Dooley seconded by Ray Capelle to recommend denial of the petitions for the reasons stated in Staff Report carried 8-1. For denial: Dooley, Capelle, Hanson, Hill, Monsen, Rugg, Stempson, Ulwelling; against denial: Roger Peck.

PL-79 Louise Meyer to replat and subdivide Lot 3, Block 1 of Meyer Addition in Sec. 23, Lansing Twp. containing 7.1 acres from 14 acres. Neighboring property owners were present for information as to the proposed use of the property and voiced objections to the intended use for storage of maintenance equipment for the Lansing Township roads. After considerable discussion a motion by Conrad Stempson seconded by Jen Ulwelling to recommend approval of the petition to the County Commissioners carried unanimously.

Discussion of correspondence on the Lyndon M. Franzen sewer discharge from Wm. Buckley, County Sanitarian. A motion by Grace Dooley seconded by Roger Peck to give Mr. Franzen until July 1, 1980 to comply carried unanimously.

Discussion of the meeting time came up for discussion. Because of the distance several of our members must travel, the commission decided to meet at 8:00 P.M. instead of 7:30 P.M. There was discussion also on the recent joint City-County Planning Commission meeting and the suggestions for participation of the City in decisions on petitions within 2 miles of the city limits, several suggestions having been made at that meeting. The Commission felt that pertinent matters have always been called to the City Planning Commission's attention and input in the past, and that petitions have been handled in a beneficial manner to both City and County. A motion by Ray Capelle seconded by John Hill that the Mower County Planning Commission go on record as not favoring a member of the Austin City Planning Commission as a member of the Mower County Planning Commission carried unanimously.

A request was made for discussion of the Agriculture Zoning at our next meeting, and the meeting was adjourned on a motion by Duane Hanson seconded by John Hill.

Grace M. Dooley
Secretary