

MOWER COUNTY

AUSTIN, MINNESOTA



September 30, 1980

MINUTES OF THE MOWER COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

Members Present: Conrad Stemson, Roger Peck, John Hill, Duane Hanson, Jen Ulwelling, Joe Monson, Ray Capelle

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Daryl W. Franklin, Dan Rogness, Julie Lewon, William Buckley

Vice-Chairman Peck called the meeting to order at 8:07 p.m., Tuesday, September 30, 1980 in the Commissioners Room of the Mower County Courthouse. Minutes of the July 29, 1980 meeting were approved as mailed on a motion by John Hill, seconded by Joe Monson, and passed unanimously.

Election of Officers: Mr. Peck was nominated by Mr. Monson for Chairman, seconded by Mr. Stemson. A motion that nominations cease and that a unanimous ballot be cast for Mr. Peck, was made by Mr. Hill, seconded by Mr. Stemson and passed unanimously. Mr. Monson was nominated for Vice-Chairman by Mrs. Ulwelling, seconded by Mr. Hanson. Mr. Capelle was nominated by Mr. Hill for Vice-Chairman, seconded by Mrs. Ulwelling. Mr. Hill made a motion that nominations cease and a secret ballot be cast. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Ulwelling and passed unanimously. Mr. Capelle was voted in as Vice-Chairman. Daryl W. Franklin stated that the staff would take care of the secretarial functions so there would be no need to elect a secretary from the planning commission.

Conditional Use Permit #280 - Waiver of Platting - Bruce Hastings: A petition from Bruce Hastings was read to the planning commission regarding waiving the platting requirements for a 4.9 acre parcel in the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 30, Nevada Township. The purpose is to construct a residential dwelling. After some discussion a motion was made by Mr. Hanson, seconded by Mr. Stemson to approve the petition. The motion passed unanimously.

Conditional Use Permit #163 - Renewal/Gravel Pit - Clarence May: A petition from Clarence May was read to the planning commission pertaining to the renewal of Mr. May's conditional use permit allowing him to operate a gravel pit on his property, 160 acres in the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 28, Marshall Township. After some discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Hill, seconded by Mrs. Ulwelling to approve the petition with the same required conditions. The motion passed unanimously.

Review of Changes to Mower County Shoreland Ordinance: Mr. Franklin explained that the proposed amendments to the shoreline ordinance would make it less awkward to work with. There would be a shoreline management zone now and this would make the ordinance easier to understand and to comply with. The amendments have been sent to

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Minnesota Department of Natural Resources and are acceptable. After some discussion, Mr. Capelle made a motion to recommend the shoreland management ordinance as amended to the County Board. The motion was seconded by Mr. Stemson and passed unanimously.

Sewage Complaint: A letter from William Buckley, County Sanitarian, to Henry Peters was read to the planning commission concerning a sewage complaint against Mr. Peters. Mr. Peters had a dry well installed for a cabin on his property in 1971. He did not receive a permit for the installation of the dry well or have it inspected after it was in place. Mr. Buckley suggested that Mr. Peters be made to reconstruct his system so that there would be no outlet to the ditch, there would be adequate space from the bottom of the system to the water table and that a septic tank be installed. After some discussion and with Mr. Peters' agreement, a motion was made to table the complaint until next month's meeting and during this time Mr. Buckley would investigate to find the water table in this area and see if another solution could be found to reconstructing Mr. Peters dry well system. The motion was made by Mr. Monson, seconded by Mrs. Ulwelling and passed unanimously.

Review of Changes to Mower County Sign Ordinance: Mr. Rogness explained that the proposed amendments to the sign ordinance would make it clearer and less confusing. After some discussion a motion was made by Mr. Monson, seconded by Mr. Hanson, to recommend the proposed amendments to the sign ordinance to the County Board, with the additions that billboards be classified as conditional uses and service signs be included as a permitted use. The motion passed unanimously.

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned on a motion by Mr. Hanson, seconded by Mr. Monson and passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Julie Lewon

Julie Lewon, Secretary
Mower County Planning Commission