

MOWER COUNTY

AUSTIN, MINNESOTA



December 30, 1980

MINUTES OF THE MOWER COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

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

Members Absent: Joe Monson

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

Chairman Peck called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m., Tuesday, December 30, 1980 in the Commissioners Room of the Mower County Courthouse. Minutes of the October 28, 1980 meeting were approved as mailed on a motion by Mr. Hill, seconded by Mrs. Ulwelling, and passed unanimously.

Conditional Use Permit #285 - Blending of Dry Fertilizer - Rogers Industries: A petition from Roger Bastyr for a conditional use permit to allow the blending of dry fertilizer on 30 acres in the northeast corner of Section 5, Windom Township, was read to the planning commission. Mr. Bastyr explained that his business would be a bagging operation, top soil, potting soil and organic matter. The operation would be the same as the present one at the site west of Oak Park Mall. The reason for the move is that the lease is up on the present site. Several residents from the area were present to voice their opposition to the business being located at the proposed site. Their main concerns were the possible dust and smell from the operation, and an increase in flies in the area.

Mr. Bastyr stated he does not accept paunch manure, only straw and bedding, and that there had not been a fly problem at the present location for three years because of this. Following further discussion on these matters, Mr. Capelle stated that the area was better suited for residential development than for the proposed business. He then made a motion to deny the conditional use permit on the grounds that (1) The conditional use would be injurious to the use and enjoyment of other property in the immediate vicinity for the purposes already permitted and could substantially diminish and impair property values within the immediate vicinity; (2) That adequate measures could not be taken to prevent or control offensive odor, dust, and additional noise and traffic so that none of these would constitute a nuisance. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hanson and passed unanimously.

John Schulte and Art Smith of Jones, Haugh and Smith Engineers presented to the planning commission a slide show on the perpetuation and maintenance of public land survey corners. Following the slide show, a motion was made by Mr. Hill and seconded by Mr. Hanson to recommend to the County Board that they see the presentation and consider hiring a full time or part time surveyor. The motion passed unanimously.

Other Business: Dan Rogness reminded the planning commission that the land use planning law and administration short course would start Thursday, January 8, 1981, and urged them to attend.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned on a motion by Mr. Hanson, seconded by Mr. Stemson, and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Lewon

Julie Lewon, Secretary

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