

MOWER COUNTY

AUSTIN, MINNESOTA



August 25, 1981

MINUTES OF THE MOWER COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

MEMBERS PRESENT: John Hill, Ray Capelle, Jen Ulwelling, Roger Peck, Joe Monson, Robert Finbraaten, Conrad Stemson

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Dave Olson, Julie Lewon

Chairman Peck called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 25, 1981 in the Commissioners Room of the Mower County Courthouse. Minutes of the July 28, 1981 meeting were approved as mailed on a motion by Mr. Hill, seconded by Mr. Monson and passed unanimously.

Conditional Use Permit #22A - Renewal/Sale of Mobile Homes - Ernest Durst: A petition from Mr. Durst for the renewal of his permit allowing the sale of mobile homes on 1.49 acres in the southeast corner, 240' x 270' on the 633' of the W $\frac{1}{2}$, NW $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 4, Windom Township, was read to the planning commission. Mr. Stemson was on the investigation committee and stated that all of the conditions were being met. There was some questions about the four unlicensed vehicles parked near Interstate 90. Mr. Durst stated that the vehicles were for sale and that he received them as trade-ins on the mobile homes he sold. He further stated that he has a dealers license and handles roughly twelve cars a year, advertising them in the paper occasionally. As the conditional use permit being renewed was for the sale of mobile homes, Mr. Monson asked whether Mr. Durst needed a separate permit to sell the cars. Miss Lewon explained that the current conditional use permit allowed only the sale of mobile homes, and if Mr. Durst wished to also sell used cars he would need to apply for a conditional use permit for that purpose. After further discussion, Mr. Capelle made a motion to recommend approval of the permit for mobile homes only, with the same conditions, except that the permit be made permanent. The motion was seconded by Mr. Monson and passed unanimously.

Don Tostenson - Sewage Complaint: Mr. Olson stated that William Buckley, County Sanitarian, had requested that this matter be tabled until the September meeting, as Mr. Tostenson was unable to come to the August meeting. A letter from Mr. Buckley to Mr. Tostenson was read explaining that a request to table the complaint would be made as Mr. Tostenson did not receive adequate notice of the meeting because of an address change. Mr. Capelle was on the investigation committee and he gave his report, explaining that the water table was quite high in this area, approximately three feet from the top of the ground. There was black water bubbling up on the law from the septic tank as the drain field was not working. Mr. Tostenson does not live on the property, but rents it out. A motion was made by Mr. Capelle and seconded by Mrs. Ulwelling to table the complaint until the September meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

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Review of Zoning Ordinance Definitions: A number of definitions proposed to be included in the zoning ordinance were presented to the planning commission. Mr. Olson stated that he had given the list of definitions to Fred Kraft, county attorney, for his review but had received no reply yet. There was some discussion on the cost and number of amendments to the zoning ordinance lately and the need for them. Miss Lewon explained that having the definitions would make zoning enforcement simpler and there would be less chance of a zoning decision being challenged. Mr. Capelle stated that even if the definitions were not included in the ordinance, they could be kept on file and used as a reference. Further discussion followed with no action being taken on the matter.

A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Monson, seconded by Mr. Hill, and passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Lewon

Julie Lewon, Secretary
Mower County Planning Commission