

Coordinated Development In

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AUSTIN-MOWER COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT

February 23, 1988

Minutes of the Mower County Planning Commission Regular Meeting

Members Present: Jen Ulwelling, Gary Braaten, Bob Shaw, Steve Wieland, Herb Hanson, Oliver Hillier, John Hill

Members Absent: Bob Werner, Joe Monsen

Others Present: Katie Losness

Vice-Chair Ulwelling called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 23, 1988, in Conference Room I of the Mower County Courthouse in Austin, Minnesota. The minutes of the January 26, 1988, meeting were approved as mailed on a motion made by Mr. Shaw, seconded by Mr. Braaten and passed unanimously.

Renewal of CUP 345 - Gravel Pit in the Rural Zone - Everett Haney:
Ms. Losness read the staff report. Petitioner wishes to continue operation of his gravel pit in Lansing Township (22 acres in the NW 1/4 NW 1/4 Section 31). The original permit was issued in September of 1985 with the following conditions:

1. A gate shall be located at the entrance and be closed and locked when the gravel pit is not in operation.
2. An approved, authorized, reflectorized "No Trespassing" sign shall be posted at the entrance.
3. Soil erosion and runoff will be controlled in an acceptable fashion approved by the Mower County Soil & Water Conservation office.
4. A \$2,000.00 performance bond must be posted with County Auditor.
5. When the pit is in operation, the petitioner shall be responsible for daily dust control.
6. Petitioner shall be required to comply with all conditions of Section 14-40 and 14.41 of the Mower County Zoning Ordinance.
7. This permit will be reviewed in January of 1987 to see if all conditions are being met.

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The permit was reviewed and approved in January of 1987 with all conditions remaining except renewal was set for January, 1988. Vice-Chair Ulwelling asked if there was anyone to speak in favor of the petition. Ann Entorf of Ulland Brothers told the Commission that there were only 30,000 cubic yards of gravel left to be removed and dust problems are under control. Vice-Chair Ulwelling asked if this would be the last year of operation to which Ms. Entorf responded it should be. Mr. Hanson made a motion to approve the petition with all conditions except that condition #7 be changed to reflect review in January, 1989.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Braaten, and passed unanimously on a 5-0 vote. The hearing for the County Board was set for March 1, 1988, at 2:30 p.m. Mr. Hill and Mr. Hillier arrived after the vote.

Discussion of CUP 340 and CUP 341: Ann Entorf was present representing Ulland Brothers to discuss William Sheely's gravel pit located in the NW 1/4 NE 1/4, Section 6, Marshall Township, 5 acres. Mrs. Sheely was present to ask that all grading be finished no later than May 15, 1988. Ms. Entorf said that it would be done by then, weather permitting.

Lyle Elleby was present to discuss CUP 341, a gravel pit located in the NE 1/4 NW 1/4 Section 6, Marshall Township, 5.7 acres. Ms. Entorf was not prepared to address this item so Mr. Shaw made the motion that Ullands review the contract and be prepared to discuss it at the March 29, 1988, meeting at 2:00 p.m. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hill and passed unanimously.

On a request by Mr. Shaw, there ensued a discussion about raising the performance bond from the usual \$2,000.00. The Commission felt that this was not enough should someone default on performance. As no member of the Commission could recommend what it be changed to, Mr. Shaw asked that staff research what other counties are requiring.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:35 p.m. on a motion by Mr. Hill, seconded by Mr. Hillier and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Katie Losness
Assistant Planner