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Minutes of the Mower County Planning Commission Meeting

Members Present: Keith Voorhees, MeriJo Lonergan, Don Olson, Gary Nemitz, Oliver Hillier, Herb Hanson, Bob Werner, Greta Kraushaar (arrived at 8:15)

Members Absent: Gary Braaten

Others Present: Daryl W. Franklin

Chair Hanson called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 28, 1992, in the Commissioner's Room of the Mower County Courthouse in Austin, Minnesota. Minutes of the March 31, 1992, meeting were approved as mailed on a motion made by Mr. Olson, seconded by Mr. Voorhees and passed unanimously.

CUP #442 for One Additional Farm Dwelling Per Farm Operation in the Agricultural District - James & Wanda Irvine: The staff report was read. James and Wanda Irvine are requesting a conditional use permit to allow them to place a mobile home on their farmstead where James' father will help out with the farm operation. The property is in Section 10 of Dexter Township (E 594 ft. W 2112 ft. S 375 ft. S 1/2 NE 1/4). The existing land use is Agricultural District and the surrounding land use and zoning is all Agricultural and zoned Agricultural District.

No one was present to speak in favor or opposition of the permit. Mr. Hanson and Mr. Olson discussed their on-site review of the site.

In reviewing the CUP the Planning Commission found that CUP #442 complied with all of the requirements of Section 14-31 of the Mower County Code.

After some discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Olson, seconded by Mr. Werner to approve the conditional use permit with the following conditions:

1. The permit be limited to the parents of Mr. Irvin and that when they no longer need it that it be removed and it could not be rented to other individuals.
2. The recommendation from William C. Buckley, in his memo dated April 28, 1992, be followed.

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The motion passed unanimously.

It was announced that the County Board would hold their hearing on May 5, 1992, at 1:30 p.m.

CUP #441 for One Additional Farm Dwelling Per Farm Operation in the Agricultural District - Don Williamson: The staff report was read. Don Williamson is requesting a conditional use permit to allow them to move a home home on the farmstead where his son will help out with the farm operation. The property is in Section 25 of Austin Township (W 1/2 NW 1/4 exc. .3 ac NW cor & exc. W 26 rods SW 1/4 NW 1/4 & exc. .9 ac. to Hwy.) The existing land use is Agricultural and the surrounding land use and zoning is all Agricultural and zoned Agricultural District.

Mr. Williamson and his son spoke about the proposal. Mr. Olson and Mr. Hanson described their visit of the site. The Planning Commission found that CUP #441 complied with all requirements of Section 14-31 of the Mower County Code. After some discussion, a motion was made by Bob Werner and seconded by Keith Voorhees to recommend approval of CUP #441 provided they follow William C. Buckley's memo dated April 28, 1992. The motion passed unanimously.

It was announced that the County Board would hold their hearing on May 5, 1992, at 1:30 p.m.

CUP #440 for a Salvage Yard in the Agricultural District - Timothy Brandau: The staff report was read. Timothy Brandau is requesting a conditional use permit to operate a salvage yard for cars, trucks and other salvage materials for storage and resale. The property is in Section 36 of LeRoy Township (SW 1/4 SW 1/4 SW 1/4). The existing land use is Agricultural and the surrounding land use and zoning is all Agricultural and zoned Agricultural District.

Mr. Hanson and Mr. Olson described their visit the site. Mr. Brandau was present and explained what he is proposing and how he would operate the site. Ms. Kraushaar raised a concern about landscaping on the site. Mr. Brandau explained that he currently has a row of trees planted on the east half of the south frontage of the property. The Commission also talked about reviewing the permit. The Planning Commission found that CUP #440 complied with all of the requirements in Section 14-31 of the Mower County Code.

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After further discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Werner and seconded by Mr. Olson to recommend approval of CUP #440 for the salvage yard with the conditions that the screening on the west half of the south side be completed and that the permit would be renewed in four years. The motion passed unanimously.

It was announced that the County Board would hold their hearing on May 5, 1992, at 1:30 p.m.

Soil Erosion Ordinance Discussion: The Soil Erosion Ordinance was discussed by the Planning Commission. It was felt that we should have a special public hearing on June 16, 1992, at 8:00 p.m. for the Soil Erosion Ordinance Amendment.

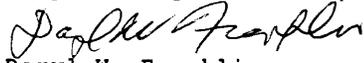
Zoning Ordinance Amendment - Bed and Breakfast in the Rural Residence District: After some discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Voorhees and seconded by Mr. Werner to recommend that the County Board amend Section 14-56 of the County Code to include: (c) Bed and breakfast (tourist home). The motion passed unanimously.

Petroleum Contaminated Soils: Herb Hanson presented a memo he received from Robert Baarsch, a concerned Frankford Township citizen, regarding petroleum contaminated soil. Lori Mueller, concerned citizen, was also present and presented information on the subject.

Daryl Franklin explained that he and William C. Buckley were contacting twelve other counties in Southeastern Minnesota for their procedure in dealing with the subject. The results of the survey and the memo from Robert Baarsch would be discussed at the May 26, 1992, Planning Commission meeting.

The Planning Commission also discussed the issue of single application sites versus multi application sites, soil borings and limited soils only from counties.

Respectfully submitted,


Daryl W. Franklin
Planning Director

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