

Mower County Planning Commission

Minutes of the Mower County Planning Commission

Members Present: Diane Benson, David Hillier, Meri Jo Lonergan, Sheldon Lukes, Brian McAlister Don Olson.

Members Absent: Harold Boverhuis, Vance Larson.

Others Present: Citizens, Glen Jacobsen (Mower Co. Asst. Attorney), Lee Bonorden (Austin Daily Herald), Daryl W. Franklin.

Chair David Hillier called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 26, 1998, at the Mower County Courthouse, 201 1st Street NE, Austin, Minnesota. Minutes of the April 28, 1998, meeting approved as mailed on a motion by Sheldon Lukes, seconded by Brian McAlister. The motion passed unanimously. It was reported that the Mower County Board of Commissioners will hear the petition at their June 2, 1998, meeting at 1:30 p.m. at the Mower County Courthouse, 201 1st Street NE, Austin, Minnesota.

Conditional Use Permit #542 - Harlan & Mary Jo Griese. CUP applicable to Section 14-51(t) of the Mower County Zoning Ordinance for commercial mini-storage in Section 26, Lansing Township. *Staff Presentation:* Reference was made to the site investigation performed by Brian McAlister and Don Olson on May 20, 1998. Staff report was presented. Mr. Olson questioned the need for fencing. The Planning Commission discussed fencing but felt that it was not needed. A suggestion by Glen Jacobsen to consider attaching hours of operation was rejected by the Planning Commission. *Applicant's Presentation.* Mr. Griese stated that he would have one storage building approximately 40' x 100' feet containing of 18 large units (10' x 20') and 8 small units (5' x 7'). Mr. & Mrs. Griese explained that their house was north of the building site. *Statements from the Public:* Bernadette Stevens, property owner to the west of the site, was concerned on how long before the project would be completed and about water run-off. Mr. Griese stated that he would try to avoid run-off. Carlton Thompson, representing Lansing Township, stated that the Township did not see any problems with this type of business. *Conclude the Public Hearing:* Chair Hillier closed the hearing to the public. After consideration of all oral and written testimony, a motion was made by Brian McAlister, seconded

by Don Olson, to approve Conditional Use Permit #542 for a commercial mini-storage because it was in accordance with Section 14-31 of the Mower County Code with the following conditions:

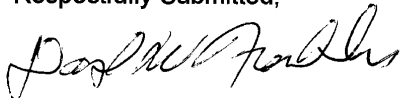
1. Permit void if commercial mini-storage units are not constructed within 36 months of date of approval.
2. No outside storage of any type.
3. Any end-drive or access that is the result of the CUP is the financial responsibility of the owner/applicant.
4. Permit will be permanent.

The motion passed unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m. on a motion by Brian McAlister, seconded by Diane Benson. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,



Daryl W. Franklin
Planning Director