EUREKA TOWNSHIP

Dakota County, State of Minnesota

PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES December 3, 2024

Call to Order

Vice Chair Heyda called the Planning Commission meeting to order at 7:02pm and the Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Commissioners Present: Dan Heyda (Vice Chair), Donovan Palmquist (Commissioner), Dave Wheeler (Commissioner), Brian Storlie (Commissioner)

Others Present: Amy Liberty (Deputy Clerk), David King, Nancy Sauber, Terry & Ashley Schultze, Sarah Lybarger

Zoom participants: Linda Ripley, Jeff Otto, Julie Larson, Randy Wood, Georgie Molitor, C. Phillips, Deb Burkhardt

Approval of the Agenda

Motion: Commissioner Brian Storlie moved to approve the agenda as is. Commissioner Palmquist seconded. *Motion carried 4-0.*

Permit Requests

King, David (Applewood Orchard) 22702 Hamburg Ave. Lakeville, MN 55044 PIN 13-00400-75-020 *AG EXEMPT Mr. King was present at the Town Hall to answer any questions the Commissioners may have. The request was to add an additional storage of 1,412 square feet to an existing agricultural building. All items stored will be used for AG purposes only. No concerns were raised.

Motion: Vice Chair Heyda moved, pending an onsite visit, which everything in the paperwork looks good, motion for approval to the Town Board. Commissioner Palmquist seconded the motion. *Motion carried 4-0*.

Old Business

Open House-Tuesday, December 17th 5:30-7:30pm

Vice Chair Heyda used this time to share key points that were discussed with the planner and the format of the open house. A flyer, designed by the planning firm WSP, will be sent electronically to the Township News and Notices distribution list, placed on the website and put up at the Town Hall. Taking a screenshot of the flyer and posting it on social media is allowed.

AG Exempt Zoning Approval application

The Deputy Clerk updated areas of the application where it referenced the old state statute numbers and added the following change that was suggested at the November Planning Commission meeting:

The Zoning Administrator will determine if setback confirmation can be conducted by GIS or if an onsite visit will be necessary. Please note: an onsite visit will require an additional fee as set forth in the current Ordinances.

The applicant will still be required to go before the Planning Commission and Town Board to obtain final approval.

Motion: Vice Chair Heyda moved to send to the Town Board with a recommendation for approval for the new Ag Exempt application. Commissioner Palmquist seconded the motion. *Motion carried 4-0.* *

*The Town Board agreed to give authority to the Township Clerk to approve and implement any changes to permit applications.

March Annual Meeting-assign presenters/discuss ideas

Chair Melanie Storlie submitted a current Power Point presentation to the meeting packet for the Commissioners to review. All liked the format and agreed that the content can be finalized at the next Planning Commission meeting. Commissioner Wheeler volunteered to be a presenter at the annual meeting.

New Business

Cannabis Public Hearing-December 9, 2024-7:00pm

No discussion, just a reminder of the date and time of the public hearing.

North Cannon River Watershed-Commissioner Brian Storlie

Meeting notes:

- The Board of Managers (BOA) voted to remove two inactive members from the bank signatory register and will not be adding any new members at this time.
- The agenda item regarding infested waters was FYI only; no action required at this time.
- 2025 member dues are mis-calculated for City of Randolph. Their TMV should be \$57,744,511, not \$5,744,511. The values for all members will be double-checked and re-published.
- BOM voted to approve the 2025 NCRWMO/SWCD Workplan budget
- BOM voted to approve \$395,361 grant funding (10% cost share required)
- BOM voted to approve \$47,033 for 2025 draft budget
- Discussed dues payment dates. The written rule states dues are to be paid in two equal installments in January and July. Members have been paying in full upon invoicing in February. All present agreed to continue as before barring additional direction.
- Member reports
 - o Randolph city street project; trying to complete main road (County 88) before year-end to aid in snow removal this winter
 - o Douglas township member Jeff Reed discussed his participation in six-county Cannon River coalition highlighting benefits of cover crops.
- Next meeting January 15, 2025

Proposed text amendment to: Chapter 240 Zoning, Article VII. Domestic and Nondomestic Animals, Subsection 240-43.

- a. Schultze, Ashley 26851 Ipava Ave, PIN 13-03000-80-011
- b. Township Clerk suggested changes

Ashley Schultze went before the Town Board on November 12th, 2024, to ask about the performance standards listed in the current ordinances and asked if they would consider changing the requirements. Ashley presented data to back-up her request. The Town Board agreed to send this citizen request to the Planning Commission for further review. Presentation documents, letters of support, suggested text changes from Ashley Schultze and the Township Clerk recommended changes were included in the meeting packet for the Planning Commission. It was agreed to continue research before making any

recommendations to the Town Board. Although this proposed text amendment was originally initiated by a citizen, the Planning Commission does have the authority to continue the review on their own.

57-1 Initiating amendments.

An amendment to the text of Chapter 240, Zoning, the Zoning Map or Chapter 165, Mining, may be initiated by the Town Board, the Planning Commission, or by application of an affected property owner. Individuals wishing to initiate an amendment to Chapter 240, Zoning, or Chapter 165, Mining, shall fill out an application and submit it to the Town Clerk, together with a fee as set forth in Chapter 126, Fees.

Motion: Vice Chair Heyda moved to have this on our agenda again for our next meeting. Commissioner Wheeler seconded the motion. *Motion carried 4-0*.

Chapter 165 Mining, § 165-12 Review of permit-Planning Commission's role

The Planning Commission will jointly review the mining facility reports and interview representatives of each facility at a meeting to be held in February. After its review, the Planning Commission will make recommendations to the Town Board.

Begin discussion on possible Squatter's Ordinance

Commissioner Palmquist offered to investigate the current state law regarding squatters. All agreed to continue the discussion at the next meeting.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion: Vice Chair Heyda moved to approve the November 6, 2024, Planning Commission meeting minutes as written. Commissioner Palmquist seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Adjournment

Motion: Vice Chair Heyda moved to adjourn. Commissioner Palmquist seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

The meeting ended at 8:36PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Minutes Officially Approved by:

Planning Commission: Vice Chair Date
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Attendance December 3, 2024 7:00 PM

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