

EUREKA TOWNSHIP
Dakota County, State of Minnesota

PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
February 4, 2025

Call to Order

Chair Melanie Storlie called the Planning Commission meeting to order at 7:00pm and the Pledge of Allegiance was given.

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

Others present: Amy Liberty (Deputy Clerk), Hannah Rybak (WSB Planner), Ashley Schultze, Dan Ames, Matt Mettling, Linda Ripley, Myrna Juriar, Pat Mason, John Rivisto

Zoom participants: Laura Adelman, Julie Larson, Kathleen Searle, Justin Friedges, Ralph Fredlund, Jeff Otto, *9520

Approval of the Agenda

Adding to the agenda: **New Business**

- A. NCRWMO meeting recap
- B. Housing Density

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- 2. January 28, 2025, Special TB and PC meeting minutes

Motion: Chair Melanie Storlie moved to accept the agenda with the two updates and the review of the joint meeting minutes. Commissioner Wheeler seconded the motion. *Motion carried 5-0.*

Mining CUP/IUP Annual Reviews

Dakota Aggregates-Brosseth Pit and Dakota Aggregates-Storlie Pit

Matt Mettling was present at the Town Hall to address any concerns the Planning Commissioners may have had. He discussed their compliance with the reclamation plan and their efforts to address over-excavation in two areas in the Brosseth Pit.

Motion: Chair Melanie Storlie moved to recommend to the Board approval of IUP. Vice Chair Heyda seconded the motion. *Motion carried 5-0. (Brosseth Pit IUP)*

Motion: Vice Chair Heyda moved to extend the IUP. Chair Melanie Storlie seconded the motion. *Motion carried 5-0. (Dakota Aggregates IUP)*

Friedges Landscaping

Justin Friedges was present via Zoom to answer any questions the Commissioners may have had. Justin explained that no mining took place last year due to the weather, however they do plan on mining this year.

Motion: Vice Chair Heyda moved to extend the CUP. Commissioner Palmquist seconded. *Motion carried 5-0. (Friedges Landscaping CUP)*

Vermillion River Aggregates

Dan Ames was present at the meeting in the Town Hall to answer any questions. Under the section of Compliance with Reclamation Plan, a typo was discovered (*complaint should read as compliant*), otherwise there were no concerns.

Motion: Vice Chair Heyda moved to extend the CUP. Commissioner Wheeler seconded.

Motion carried 5-0. (Vermillion River Aggregates CUP)

Old Business

Chapter 240 Zoning 1. Article VII. Domestic and Nondomestic Animals, Subsection 240-43. (WSB Draft Ordinance)

WSB reviewed the current ordinance related to animal units in Eureka Township and conducted research from other Townships and Counties. Hannah Rybak shared this information that was gathered and presented a draft ordinance to the Planning Commission.

The Commissioners discussed the need to revise the animal unit density and considered the possibility of adding an interim use permit requirement. Two concerns came forward during discussion, one regarding suitable land, and two, the idea of leaving decisions up to a Board instead of composing concrete requirements. It was decided to table the issue until the next meeting to review a revised draft.

New Business

North Cannon River Watershed Management Organization

Chair Melanie Storlie and Commissioner Brian Storlie shared information from the meeting that was held on January 15th, 2025. Meeting minutes are available for review on the NCRWMO website.

Housing Density

WSB is in the early stages of research and will continue to work with the Town Board and Planning Commission to help determine the appropriate path forward. The Planning Commissioners discussed researching housing density changes in other rural communities, particularly Bridgewater Township and Empire Township.

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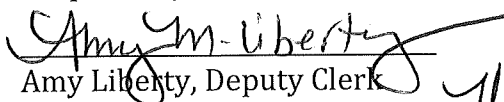
Motion: Chair Melanie Storlie moved to approve the minutes from the Planning Commission meeting on January 7, 2025. Commissioner Brian Storlie seconded. *Motion carried 5-0.*

Motion: Vice Chair Heyda motioned to approve. Chair Melanie Storlie seconded the motion. *Motion carried 5-0. (January 28, 2025, Special Town Board and Planning Commission meeting minutes)*

Adjournment

Motion: Chair Melanie Storlie motioned to adjourn. Commissioner Palmquist seconded. *Motion carried 5-0.* The meeting ended at 8:11PM.

Respectfully submitted,


Amy Liberty, Deputy Clerk

Minutes Officially Approved by:  on: 3/4/25
Planning Commission Chair Date



Planning Commission Meeting

Attendance

February 4th, 2025

7:00 PM

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