

EUREKA TOWNSHIP
Dakota County, State of Minnesota
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
April 28, 2026

Call to Order

Chair Melanie Storlie called the Planning Commission meeting to order at 7:01pm and the Pledge of Allegiance was given.

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

Others present: Amy Liberty (Deputy Clerk), Hannah Rybak (WSB Planner),

Zoom participants: Deb, Nancy Sauber, Bill Clancy, Julie Larson, Steven, Randy Wood

Approval of the Agenda

Motion: Chair Melanie Storlie moved to accept the agenda as stated. Vice Chair Heyda seconded.
Motion carried 5-0.

Permit Requests

Krentz, Michael, 23772 Highview Ave., PID 13-00900-015, *Solar (ground-mounted)
Michael Kentz was present at the Town Hall to answer any questions that the Commissioner's may have. Mr. Krentz clarified that the setback measurement from the south property line to the edge of the solar panels would be approximately 35 feet at ground level when the panels are in their fully tilted position.

Motion: Chair Melanie Storlie motioned that we will recommend to the Board that they approve this application as stated, pending whatever reviews Inspectron has. Commissioner Palmquist seconded. *Motion carried: 5-0.*

Fjerstad, Justin, 9000 235th St. W., PID 13-00800-75-151, *Accessory Building

Justin Fjerstad was present at the Town Hall to answer any questions the Commissioners may have. Because the entire parcel is located within the shoreland area, a land use permit from Dakota County was required and has been obtained, which also explains the shape and placement of the proposed accessory building/garage.

Motion: Chair Melanie Storlie moved that we recommend to the Board that they approve this permit at 9000 235th St. W., PIN 13-00800-75-151, for Justin Fjerstad for a two-car garage. Commissioner Brian Storlie seconded. *Motion carried: 5-0.*

Town Board Meeting Report

Commissioner Wheeler shared items that were discussed at the April 14, 2026, Town Board meeting. A full summary is provided in the meeting minutes and is available for viewing at the Town Hall and on the website.

Unfinished Business

Indoor Agriculture

WSB Planner Hannah Rybak presented a draft redline of current ordinances incorporating minor edits previously discussed by the Planning Commission. Proposed revisions included clarification on allowable principal structures and uses, certificate of occupancy requirements prior to construction of accessory structures, and provisions related to replacement of nonconforming structures under state law. Additional discussion clarified that replacement structures must remain the same size and volume, although modernization would be permitted. Questions were also raised regarding grain bins, and it was confirmed that grain bins on an open parcel without a principal structure would require an Interim Use Permit. This raised concerns among Commissioners, even though it was noted that the proposed Interim Use Permit process for agricultural structures is intended to be minimal.

Community Event (July 21st)

Event planning continued with Commissioners assigned to contact local businesses to request participation or donations.

New Business

North Cannon River Water Management Organization

Chair Melanie Storlie provided a written report from the NCRWMO meeting that was held on April 15th.

Round Table Meeting, May 7th at 6:00pm

The Planning Commission brainstormed agenda items, with a focus on communication and updates on unfinished business. The Commissioners also took time to thank Commissioner Palmquist for his years of service and discussed what information and guidance would be helpful for incoming Commissioners.

Assign liaison for the May 12th Town Board Meeting

Commissioner Brian Storlie offered to be the liaison.

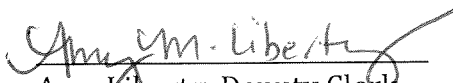
Approval of Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Wheeler made a motion to approve the March 31st, 2026, Planning Commission meeting minutes. Vice Chair Dan Heyda seconded. *Motion carried: 5-0.*

Adjournment

Chair Melanie Storlie motion to adjourn. Commissioner Donovan Palmquist seconded. *Motion carried: 5-0.* Meeting ended at 8:25pm.

Respectfully submitted,


Amy Liberty, Deputy Clerk

Minutes Officially Approved by:  on: 5/26/26
Planning Commission Chair Date