

MINUTES

Blue Earth County Planning Commission

Regular Meeting

Wednesday September 5, 2018

7:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:46 p.m. by Chairman Lyle Femrite. Planning Commission members present were Bill Anderson, Kurt Anderson, Lyle Femrite, Barry Jacques, Kip Bruender, Michael Riley and Joe Smentek. County staff members Aaron Stubbs, Garrett Rohlfing, George Leary, and Meghan Bajula-Hagen were also present.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Bruender made a motion to approve the minutes for the August 1st, 2018 regular Planning Commission meeting. Mr. Smentek seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Leary indicated there was no change to the agenda.

4. NEW BUSINESS

PC 19-18

Russel & Janice Berndt - Request for review and approval of a Conditional Use Permit to transfer a Residential Development Right from the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter to the Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 6, Lyra Township. The sending and receiving properties are zoned Conservation and include some areas within the Shoreland Overlay District of the Blue Earth River.

Mr. Rolfing presented the staff report.

The applicants were present and commented that they would be the ones building and that their daughter would be moving into the existing home.

There was little discussion by the Planning Commission and no public comment.

Mr. Smentek made a motion to forward a recommendation of approval to the County Board with the findings proposed by staff. Mr. Bill Anderson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

PC 20-18

Associated Finishing, LLC - Request for review and approval of a Conditional Use Permit to allow for a Bluff Stabilization Project. The proposed stabilization project will require the movement of approximately 30,000 cubic yards of material, and the disturbance of approximately 3.4 acres. The property is zoned Light Industrial and is described as Lot 2, Block 1 of the Turtle / Klammer Subdivision, all located in part of the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 23, South Bend Township.

Mr. Stubbs presented the staff report.

The applicants present and made no further comment.

June Londquist, South Bend Township Chair, was present and commented that the project would be a good improvement.

Mr. Femrite stated that the project looks like quite an improvement.

Mr. Bruender stated that they started the project four to five months ago. He indicated he has been on site and it will be a nice safe site once completed.

Mr. Bruender made a motion to forward a recommendation of approval to the County Board with the findings proposed by staff. Mr. Smentek seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

5. COUNTY BOARD ACTIONS ON PREVIOUS MONTH'S AGENDA

Key Cities Conservation Club - Conditional Use Permit to allow a grading project of approximately 715 cubic yards of material for the creation of a berm to enhance the use of the property for firearms educational and training purposes. Mr. Leary advised the Commission that the request was approved with conditions recommended by the Planning Commission.

6. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Smentek made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Jacques seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Planning Commission Chair

Date

Planning Commission Secretary

Date