DAKOTA COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION: May 21, 2024 MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Dakota County Planning Commission was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Chairman Marty Rohde and the Pledge of Allegiance was said by all.

Roll Call: Present were: Scott Bousquet, Ron Collins, Tim Decker, Ron Gill, Gordon Hegge, Steven Lieber, Dick McCabe, Harold Moes, and Martin Rohde. Absent: None. Also, present: Planning and Zoning Administrator Joe O'Neill and Dakota County Commissioner Troy Launsby. Public present: See attached list

Notice was made regarding the Open Meeting Act posted on the wall.

Moved by Ron Collins, second by Tim Decker, to approve the minutes of the April 16, 2024 meeting minutes. Consent unanimous. Motion carried.

The Commission discussed solar regulations. Ron Gill said that he received a call from the power company asking questions regarding the solar project. Ron understood that it would take major renovations for the solar company to tie into the substation on H Avenue. Ron also raised concerns about who would be responsible if there were any problems and who would help locally to resolve these issues. The board was all in agreement that the current solar regulations that have been adopted do not cover a commercial project. A discussion was held on if they should put a moratorium on solar permits until the regulations have been updated. Motion was made by Harold Moes, second by Ron Collins to table the solar regulations until it can be studied more. Roll Call Vote. Unanimous. Motion Carried

Miscellaneous and old business. There have been no new developments on the Summit Carbon Pipeline from the surrounding states. At the last meeting it was decided not to move forward until the surrounding states have decided to move forward. Zoning permits were issued to Melissa Heberer - attached garage – Emerson, and Chris Stewart – new home- Ponca. Informational Statements were issued to Steven Lieber-calving barn-Jackson

Marty opened up the floor for public comment. No public

Moved by Harold Moes, second by Tim Decker to adjourn. Consent unanimous. Motion carried Meeting was duly adjourned at 7:51 P.M. Respectfully submitted, Jolene Gubbels