

DAKOTA COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION: August 20, 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 Tim Decker, second by Steven Lieber, to approve the minutes of the July 16, 2024 meeting minutes. Consent unanimous. Motion carried.

The Commission discussed solar regulations. Joe presented some information to the board regarding taxes and what other counties are doing for solar farms. The Commission reviewed regulations and liked what Franklin County Nebraska had put together. They asked Joe to revise them for Dakota County and bring them back to the next meeting.

Miscellaneous and old business. Tabled item regarding the 66 Conditional Use Permits from Summit Carbon Solutions will remain tables. Zoning permits issued to Chet Bottorff – addition – Jackson. A Business informational permit was issued to Papio NRD for a utility shed near Homer, a variance was granted for this.

Marty opened up the floor for public comment. Ethan Frazier with Mission Energy stated that he would be available for any questions and will be back at the next meeting.

Ron Gill asked if we could put anything in our regulations to help landowners who don't want pipelines or any other type of development coming through their property. Joe will talk to the county attorney to see what can be done if anything. Tim Decker suggested sending a letter from the Planning Commission on his opinion of eminent domain. He also stated you can go to the attorney general's website and do some research there on past questions. Ron Collins mentioned reaching out to other counties. Ron Gill also brought up bitcoin mines and if we needed to add anything in our regulations to cover them. Joe stated that we can work on adding regulations in.

Moved by Ron Collins, second by Steven Lieber to adjourn. Consent unanimous. Motion carried

Meeting was duly adjourned at 8:20 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Jolene Gubbels