

FARIBAULT COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
JUNE 18, 2013

The Faribault County Board of Commissioners met pursuant to the recess of June 4, 2013 at the Courthouse in the City of Blue Earth at 3:00 p.m. on June 18, 2013. The following members were present: Bill Groskreutz, Tom Loveall, John Roper, Tom Warmka, and Greg Young Commissioners. Auditor/Treasurer/Coordinator John Thompson and County Attorney Troy Timmerman were also present.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Young.
The pledge of allegiance was recited.

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Warmka/Groskreutz motion carried unanimously to approve the synopsis and official proceedings of the June 4, 2013 regular meeting.

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Roper/Loveall motion carried unanimously to approve the agenda of June 18, 2013 as amended.

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The calendar was updated. No member of the public appeared to make comment.

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Committee reports were presented. Warmka reported on AMC, GBERBA, and Prairieland; Roper reported on Prairieland; Groskreutz thanked the Public Works Department for their assistance in the clean up efforts after the storm in Wells and reported on an Energy meeting.

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Warmka/Roper motion carried unanimously to approve the addition of Auditor/Treasurer/Coordinator John Thompson into the rotation of giving board meeting updates on the radio.

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Warmka/Roper motion carried unanimously to approve request from J. Anderson and T. Hanevik to attend a 2-day Turnkey Corrections User Group conference in Hudson WI and B. Zimmer to attend a 1-day grant application training in St. Cloud.

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Central Services Director Brenda Ripley met regarding office business.

Warmka/Roper motion carried unanimously to approve the transfer of Todd Hanevik to the Program Coordinator position in the Sheriff Department effective June 18, 2013.

Warmka/Loveall motion carried unanimously to approve the hire of Andrew Noll of Blue Earth as a full-time jailer in the Sheriff Department effective June 24, 2013.

Loveall/Warmka motion carried unanimously to approve the hire of Amara Huston of Blue Earth as a full-time fraud investigator in the Sheriff Department effective June 17, 2013.

The board thanked Brenda Ripley for her years of service with the county.

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Linda Meschke, President of Rural Advantage of Fairmont met regarding a Food Policy Council resolution.

Warmka/Roper motion carried unanimously to approve Resolution 13-CB-18 supporting the development of local food systems. Commissioners Groskreutz, Loveall, Roper, Warmka, and Young voted yes.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, representatives from Cottonwood, Faribault, Jackson, Martin, and Watonwan counties have been meeting and discussing food policy issues during the past eighteen months to assess the region's food environment and identify priority food issues; and

WHEREAS, south central Minnesota has some of the most productive soils in the world that allows crops to be grown efficiently and cost effectively for food, fiber and fuel and then distributed across the world; and

WHEREAS, the food consumed in the region is generally imported from thousands of miles away; and

WHEREAS, the development of sustainable local food systems can result in a healthier population, stronger local economies and more vibrant rural communities.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Faribault County supports the development of vibrant local food systems that achieve the following principles:

1. Strengthen the local economy
 - a. Support the creation and diversification of additional small family farms for the production, distribution, and sale of local foods.

- b. Businesses that produce, process, distribute, and sell local grown, healthy food should grow and thrive in south central Minnesota.
 - c. Encourage policies and procedures that promote local food production, sales, processing, and distribution.
2. Empower residents
 - a. Enhance access for individuals or businesses to address gaps in local food processing, storage and distribution infrastructure by encouraging and allowing access to local economic development resources.
 - b. Support consumer purchasing and consumption of local grown food through county policies and processes.
 3. Actively support access to healthy food for all
 - a. Research shows significant gaps between what people are eating today and what USDA recommends.
 - b. Support enterprises that bridge those gaps.
 - c. All residents in our area should have enough to eat and access to affordable, local, healthy, sustainable, culturally appropriate food.
 - d. Encourage businesses to utilize menu and health product labeling techniques to identify healthy food options.
 4. Promote awareness of best practices for food usage
 - a. Increase awareness and encourage people to minimize and/or recycle food waste.
 - b. Integrate food waste management into the decision making process of composting or recycling.
 - c. Explore alternative re-uses for food waste.

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Sheriff Mike Gormley, Chief Deputy Scott Adams, and Fraud Investigator Amara Huston met regarding office business.

Fraud Investigator Amara Huston was introduced to the board.

Warmka/Roper motion carried unanimously to approve snowmobile and ATV grants for upcoming years.

Discussion was held regarding the storm damage in the northeast part of the County. Thresholds for governmental reimbursement will likely be met the not the private thresholds. A court security assessment was also discussed.

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Public Works Director John McDonald met regarding office business. An update of department business was given. Discussion on legislative changes was held.

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Soil and Water/Planning and Zoning Program Administrator Michele Stindtman met regarding conditional use permit for State Line Cooperative. David Edge and Steve Gangsted also attended.

Roper/Warmka motion carried unanimously to approve Resolution 13-PZ07-19 granting a conditional use permit to Stateline Cooperative for a grain facility in Section 10 of Jo Daviess Township. Commissioners Groskreutz, Loveall, Roper, Warmka, and Young voted yes.

RESOLUTION
Stateline Cooperative
Jo Daviess Township, Section 10
#05-13-23

WHEREAS, according to the Faribault County zoning ordinance, applicant is requesting a conditional use permit for (Phase I) a grain facility.

The proposed project will be located in the Southwest Quarter (SW ¼) of the Southwest Quarter (SW ¼), Section Ten (10), Township One Hundred Two (102) North, Range Twenty-eight (28) West, Jo Daviess Township, Faribault County, Minnesota.

See attached Exhibit A for legal description

WHEREAS, The Planning Commission finds:

1. That the proposed use will not have an adverse impact on the health, safety, and general welfare or be injurious to the use and enjoyment of other properties for purposes already permitted in the surrounding neighborhood if conditions on permit are met.
2. That the proposed use will not have an adverse impact on traffic conditions including parking, traffic congestion, or traffic hazard. The facility is required to install right turn lanes and left turn bypass lanes. Adequate parking was required on-site for staff. Applicant ensures that trucks will not queue on highway.
3. That there are adequate public utilities, public services, roads, drainage, off-street loading space and other necessary facilities to support the proposed use of the property. Benco will bring electricity, Highway 16 is a heavy black top, new septic system and well will be installed.
4. That the proposed use will not have an adverse effect or diminish property values or future development of land in the surrounding neighborhood. Mitigation of noise and vibration.

5. That the proposed use meets the standards of the zoning ordinance including that the use is allowed with a conditional use permit in the designated zoning district in which it is proposed. Use is allowed in the A-2 General Ag District with a conditional use permit.
6. That the proposed use will not have an adverse effect on the environment including impacts on groundwater, surface water, soils and air quality. Working with the MPCA on air issues, stormwater basin will treat any runoff as required.
7. That the proposed use will not have an adverse effect on normal and orderly development and improvement of surrounding properties in the surrounding neighborhood. Area is agriculture.
8. That adequate measures are in place to prevent or control offensive odors, fumes, dust, noise, and vibration so that none of these will constitute a nuisance. Applicant will utilize dust control measures. Mitigation for noise and vibration.
9. That the result of this request will allow for the storage of materials and that adequate disposal measures are in place. Adequate storage and disposal.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Faribault County Board of Commissioners approve the conditional use permit for Stateline Cooperative to allow a grain facility on a new site in the A-2 General Agriculture District with the following conditions:

1. This conditional use permit only authorizes the grain facility (Phase 1) as specifically described in the submitted application dated May 17, 2013.
2. Any signage for the business to be erected shall be in compliance with Section 15, B – Sign Regulations of the Faribault County Zoning Ordinance and any highway requirements.
3. A completed and approved County subsurface sewage treatment system (SSTS) application must be received and approved by the Planning and Zoning Department before issuance of a building permit. Fencing or other type of physical barrier shall be installed and maintained to protect the on-site sewage treatment system, septic tank, and well from damage by vehicles and machinery before, during, and after construction.
4. SSTS compliance and maintenance must be performed in accordance with Section 23 of the Faribault County Zoning Ordinance and MN Statutes 7080.
5. All other federal, state, and local applicable laws, licenses, and permits shall be obtained and followed from the appropriate agency and maintained in association with the grain facility operation.
6. Security issues need to be implemented by applicant.
7. Applicant will install a right turn lane and left turn bypass lane designed and constructed in a manner approved by the Faribault County Highway Engineer.
8. Vehicles may not queue on any adjacent roads.
9. Any proposed changes, additions, or modifications to the site, or to the services proposed, shall be submitted to the Zoning Administrator, and brought back before the Planning Commission and County Board for review.

10. Building of the grain facility (Phase 1) shall be completed within 2 years beginning June 18, 2013.
11. A review of the conditional use permit will be completed by the Planning and Zoning Department every two years. A maintenance fee of \$50.00 shall be paid every two years as long as the conditional use is in effect starting June 11, 2015
12. Applicant must work with the County Emergency Response Coordinator in developing an Emergency Response Plan. A copy of this plan shall be on file with the Planning and Zoning Department prior to issuance of a building permit.
13. Short term (less than 90 days) outdoor stockpiling of corn/beans may occur.
14. To the extent possible, fans must be placed in a manner to minimize noise and vibrations away from the neighbors to the east.

Stindtman gave a storm update. Set 2:00 p.m. July 23, 2013 for a work session at the Soil and Water office.

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Discussion was held regarding the Minnesota River Board's request for an additional six months of dues, which would pay through December 31, 2013.

Loveall/Groskreutz motion carried to pay Minnesota River Board dues through December 31, 2013. Commissioner Roper voted no.

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Loveall/Warmka motion carried unanimously to pay bills totaling \$353,157.30 as follows:

GENERAL REVENUE FUND	\$ 68,780.50
PUBLIC WORKS FUND	27,698.28
HUMAN SERVICES FUND	161,056.00
COUNTY LIBRARY FUND	85,724.02
DEBT SERVICE FUND	250.00
DITCH FUNDS	<u>9,648.50</u>
	\$ 353,157.30

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The meeting was adjourned for June.

Greg Young, Chair

John Thompson, Auditor/Treasurer/Coordinator

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