

MINUTES
Blue Earth County Planning Commission
Regular Meeting
Wednesday February 1, 2017
7:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Lyle Femrite. Planning Commission members present were Bill Anderson, Kurt Anderson, Kip Bruender, Lyle Femrite, Joe Smentek, Michael Riley and Barry Jacques. County staff members Aaron Stubbs, Chris Meeks and George Leary were also present.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Smentek made a motion to approve the minutes from the December 7, 2016 Regular Planning Commission Meeting. Mr. Bill Anderson seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

3. AGENDA APPROVAL

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

4. NEW BUSINESS

PC 01-17

Matthew Lantz - Request for review and approval of a Conditional Use Permit to expand an existing total confinement swine breeding facility. The expansion will be an addition of 800 Animal Units, bringing the capacity of the site to 1,300 Animal Units, and will utilize a below-barn liquid manure storage area. The site is zoned Agricultural and is located in the Western Half of the Southwest Quarter of Section 22, Butternut Valley Township.

Mr. Meeks presented the staff report.

The applicants were present and had no additional comment.

Mr. Femrite stated he felt as if this was a very thorough report and had no questions regarding the request. There were no other questions or comments from the Planning Commission.

Mr. Bill Anderson made a motion to forward to the County Board, a recommendation of approval of the request based on the findings presented by staff. Mr. Smentek seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

5. OTHER BUSINESS

Blue Earth County Planning Department

Environmental Services Director, Scott Fichtner provided the Planning Commission with an update on the Land Use Plan. He indicated there would be a kick-off meeting to give the members of the Planning Commission and the County Commissioner's and opportunity to meet with the consultants and share information about Blue Earth County.

6. ADJOURNMENT

There was no further business. Mr. Smentek made a motion to adjourn the meeting which was seconded by Mr. Bruender and the meeting was adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

Planning Commission Chair

Date

Planning Commission Secretary

Date