



Minutes for the meeting of Grant County Planning and Zoning/Board of Adjustment.

Members present: Gary Lindeman Richard Hansen Tom Adler Lorelei Brandt Dave Forrette

Alternates present:

Members absent: Nancy Johnson Geoff Street

Others present: Scott Kulhke Jim Newcomb Cliff Steinlicht Timothy Gapp Ashley Dummann Paul Dummann Jason Street
Randy Waldner

Meeting Date: **Monday, December 8, 2014** **Meeting Time: 4:30 P.M.**

1. Call Meeting to Order by Vice Chair Forrette
2. Approval of Minutes:
 - a. Monday, November 10, 2014 (Postponed due to snow to November 17th) Motion by Adler second by Lindeman carries to 5-0.
3. Plat Approvals
 - a. Lyle Kruger, Jay and Tara Mertens, owners are requesting the replat and plat of Lot3, Lyle Kruger Subdivision, located in Government Lot 3, Section 2, Township 119 North, Range 49 West of the 5th P.M., Grant County, South Dakota (Madison Township) Motion by Hansen second by Brandt carries 5-0.
 - b. Clark Ringsaker, owner of Timberline Addition request the vacation of Timber Line Addition to become Lots 1&2 in Timber Line Addition in the SE1/4 of Section 12, Township 120 North, Range 52 West of the 5th P.M., in the Former Sisseton and Wahpeton Indian Reservation in the County of Grant, South Dakota (Lura Township) Motion by Adler second by Brandt carries 5-0.
4. Conditional Use/Variance Requests/Rezoning
 - a. Permit No. VAR11032014 by Clifford Steinlicht, applicant of E1/2NW1/4 ex Lt1 Steinlicht's West Addition of Section 31, Township 120, Range 48 of the 5th Principal Meridian, Grant County, South Dakota. (Alban Township) to variance the lotline setback to allow the building to be within 33' of the west adjoining property line. Motion by Brandt second by Lindeman carries 5-0.
 - b. Permit No. VAR11242014A by Jason Street, applicant of NW1/4 of Section 9, Township 118, Range 47 of the 5th Principal Meridian, Grant County, South Dakota. (Adams Township) to variance the setback to the road to be within 133'ft to stay out of flood plain. Motion by Hansen second by Brandt carries 5-0.
 - c. Permit No. VAR11242014B by Jason Street, applicant of NW1/4 of Section 9, Township 118, Range 47 of the 5th Principal Meridian, Grant County, South Dakota. (Adams Township) to variance the setback to the road to be within 133'ft to stay out of flood plain. Motion by Brandt second by Lindeman carries 5-0
 - d. Permit No. CUP-11242014 by OWN Energy, 45 Main Street, Suite 536, Brooklyn, NY 11201 a Conditional Use in Farmington Township of the 5th Principal Meridian, Grant County, South Dakota. (Farmington Township) See map of proposed facility attached. To permit the applicant to construct and use a transmission facility including poles, conductors (wires), on-site substation and necessary parts applicant to build and operate a wind farm in Farmington Township.

Discussion of the Wind farm involved the presentation of the permit by the permit holders and people speaking on behalf of the project. Paul Dummann spoke about the 14

steps the project goes through to become an energy producer. This company has gone through almost all of them with the power contract and turbine contracts left to negotiate. This will only help the tax base with the trickle down effect with 75-80% of the township signed in. Tim Gapp expressed his support on behalf of the area as a banker and resident. Lineman asked what changed to allow space for the electrical power. Kuhlke explained the WAPA to Summit interconnection has space to tie in either Summit to Watertown of a feeder line parallel. Cliff Steinlicht expressed concern about having a haul road agreement with teeth to hold the project accountable. Hansen inquired about the maintenance schedule for roads to passable. Kuhlke explained timing perspectives have not been discussed at this point but generally within 1 year the roads are back to engineered shape. The last item presented on behalf of the permittee Kuhlke was the crossing permits that had been obtained for 2 places in I-29 and 1 place on Hwy 12. Motion by Hansen second by Lindeman carries 5-0.

5. Old Business
6. New Business
 - a. Fill out W-4 and return at the meeting.
7. Unfinished Business
8. Next meeting: Monday, January 12, 2014
9. Adjournment Motion by Brandt second by Adler carries 5-0.

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Planning and Zoning Officer
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