

September 24, 2015

The regular monthly meeting of the Merrick County Joint Planning Commission was called to order by Chair Starostka at 7:04 p.m. Thursday, September 24, 2015 in the Hearing Room at the courthouse in Central City. Upon roll call, those attending were Starostka, Wiegert, Robinson, Riblett and Friedrichsen. Not present Ogden, Hannappel, Wichmann, and Ferris. Also present was Jen Myers, Planning Administrator. The meeting notice was published in both the Central City and Palmer Papers. Notice of this meeting was delivered to the Chairperson and members prior to the meeting. Open meeting notice procedures were presented by Starostka. Meeting minutes were available for review ten days prior to the meeting.

Minutes from the August 27, 2015 meeting were presented. Motion by Friedrichsen to approve the minutes as written. Second by Riblett. Motion carries 5-0.

Robinson motions to open the public hearing for the Werner Construction Conditional Use Application for Section 21 Township 13 Range 6. With roll call, motion carries 5-0. Public hearing opened at 7:07 p.m. Myers stated that the as part of the R1 Zoning Districts, extraction of natural resources requires a conditional use permit so therefore, this application fulfills those requirements. Terry Williams, representative for Werner Construction, stated that there will be a 100 foot burn from the property line, there will be no permanent structures, DEQ does not require any permitting process for this type of extraction, it will strictly be sand and gravel extraction, and this project could be as long as 20 years with hours from 6:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m. Todd and Peggy Lechner questioned location of pumping facility due to a lease agreement that was just entered with the same land owners with River Rats Association. Both parties were going to check into their respective leases to make sure the areas at question weren't conflicting. Myers also stated she has a copy of the lease agreement between the land owner and Werner Construction for the purposes of this project.

Wiegert motions to close the public hearing Riblett seconds the motion. With roll call, motion carries 5-0.

Robinson moves to approve the Conditional Use for Werner Construction and recommend approval to the County Board of Supervisors stating that it meets the conditions for a Conditional Use permit within the AG 1 District. In addition, the condition that the application will be reviewed in 1 year and then every 3 years subsequent will be included. Wiegert seconds the motion. With roll call motion carries 5-0.

No public comment

Next meeting October 22, 2015 at 7:00 p.m

Starostka adjourns meeting at 7:40 p.m.