

MORRISON COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

August 8, 2023 – 6:00 P.M.

MINUTES

The Morrison County Planning Commission held a public hearing and regular monthly meeting in the Morrison County Government Center Board Room.

Regular Members Present: Brent Lindgren, Clint Kathrein, Dave Stish and Marvin Trettel

Regular Members Absent: John Kunelius

Commissioners Present: Jeff Jelinski (via Teams), Mike LeMieur, Randy Winscher and Bobby Kasper

Commissioners Absent: Greg Blaine

Ex-Officio Members Present: Amy Kowalzek, Shannon Wettstein (SWCD) and Sharon Peterson

Ex-Officio Members Absent: Robert Wall

Other members: Matt LeBlanc

Chairman Clint Kathrein called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Chairperson Clint Kathrein read the opening statement.

1. Duane & Rebecca Klisch – 18289 Nature Rd; Royalton, MN 56373 – Application for a Conditional Use Permit to expand to a Tier II poultry feedlot; located in pt of S ½ of Section 36, Township 39, Range 32, Bellevue Township.

Duane Klisch and Brian Steffen were present.

Amy Kowalzek entered into record Section 604.6 of the Morrison County Land Use Control Ordinance, Plat Map with the parcel location, Conditional Use Permit Application, Conditional Use Criteria Questions, site plan, aerial photo, staff report and aerial photo showing proximity to the City of Royalton. There were 194 notices sent to neighboring property owners. No comment was received prior to the hearing. Amy entered the Conditional Use Criteria Questions into record.

Clint stated you say you have 726 acres to spread manure on, is this enough? Duane Klisch stated it is.

Dave Stish stated that the location where the beef are located the soils are not adequate for stacking manure. What are the solutions for this? Brian Steffen stated they are working with Centra-Sota to handle all of this. Dave asked where the manure will be placed. Brian stated stacking on more suitable soils or remove it. Dave stated there have been two public hearings on this item and no correspondence was received.

Amy Kowalzek asked about the disposal of dead animals. Duane Klisch stated they would just burry the animal in the past. Clint Kathrein stated the mortality shed could be used. Amy asked what the time frame is to get the stacking slab. Brian stated hopefully next spring. Duane stated they will either render or compost the dead animals.

Marvin Trettel asked about the environmental review recommendations. Will these be followed. Duane Klisch stated they will.

Brent Lindgren asked how this could or not affect the roadways or schools. Duane Klisch stated with two barns they will get more trucks. Sometimes they go around the schools or come at night.

Audience Comment:

Shannon Wettstein – stated this is good site for expansion. There will be a 50’ grass buffer around the barn. The stacking slab will be a great addition.

Clint Kathrein asked if the site is suitable for manure. Amy Kowalzek stated the Feedlot Officer answered this question, the soils around the barn are suitable for manure stacking.

The voting sheets were polled.

A motion was made by Dave Stish to recommend approval of this request including conditions. The motion was seconded by Marvin Trettel. The vote was all in favor.

The application will go in front of the Morrison County Board of Commissioners on August 15, 2023.

The public hearing was closed at 6:36 p.m.

A motion was made by Marvin Trettel to approve the June 27, 2023 minutes with corrections. The motion was seconded by Dave Stish. The vote was all in favor.

Correspondence – None

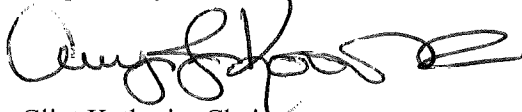
Old Business – None

New Business – None

A motion was made by Brent Lindgren to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Dave Stish. The vote was all in favor.

With no further business at hand, the meeting was adjourned at 6:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Clint Kathrein, Chairperson
Brent Lindgren, Vice-Chairperson
Marvin Trettel, Secretary
Amy Kowalzek, Appointed Secretary
Morrison County Planning Commission