

BUFFALO COUNTY MINUTES

Committee of the Board: Land Use Committee

Date of the Meeting: Friday, February 3, 2023

Chair Max Weiss called the Public Hearing portion of the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Land Use Committee Members Present: Mr. Max Weiss, Mr. Dwight Ruff, Mr. Michael Taylor, Mr. Gary Stanton, and Mr. Steven Nelson.

Others Present for All or Parts of the Meeting: Mr. Lee Engfer, Ms. Roxann Halverson, Mr. Cale Severson, Mr. Briar Golden, Mr. Brock Lederman, Mr. Nathan Machula, Mr. Tom Schultz, Mr. John Sendelbach, Ms. Margo Traun. Mr. Ron Jaspersen, Mr. Randy Rotering, Mr. Jarrad Fluekiger, Mr. David Brommerich (Teams).

Reading of the Notice for Public Hearing and Fluekiger Rezone Application: Mr. Lederman read the information that was published in the newspaper on January 19th and 26th.

Public Testimony Regarding the Rezone Application: Mr. Rotering has an easement through the property and had concerns with getting the easement moved and properly surveyed. He and Mr. Fluekiger will work on relocating the easement and surveying it.

Mr. Ruff questioned if neighbors had been informed of the change in land use as one neighbor had concerns with increased traffic. Mr. Fluekiger explained he had to talk to his neighbors. Mr. Fluekiger also explained the traffic will be early mornings and late evenings.

Correspondence Regarding the Rezone Application: There was no correspondence received.

Adjournment of the Public Hearing: Mr. Taylor made a motion to adjourn the public hearing at 9:05 a.m.

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Public Comments regarding Posted Agenda Items: None.

Review/Discussion/Action regarding Previous Meeting Minutes: Mr. Ruff made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Mr. Nelson. Carried.

Review/Discussion/Action regarding An Ordinance to Amend the Official Buffalo County Zoning District Map – Town of Alma(Fluekiger Rezone): Mr. Severson indicated some changes to the driveway that will need to follow ordinance requirements. The driveway will need to be widened to 20 feet in width for a length of 50 feet from the centerline of County Road S. The easement between Fluekiger and Rotering will be redone and surveyed. The cost of the survey will be worked out between Fluekiger and Rotering. Mr. Taylor made a motion to approve the ordinance, seconded by Mr. Ruff. Carried.

Review/Discussion/Action regarding the Land Use Plan: Mr. Severson explained the plan needs to be updated every 10 years. He recommends working with Mississippi River Regional Planning Commission to get the plan updated. Mr. Engfer explained there are towns that would like to make some updates to their plans as well. Mr. Ruff made a motion to work with MRRPC and the towns to update the plan, seconded by Mr. Taylor. Carried.

Review/Discussion regarding the Surveyor's Report: Mr. Jasperson reported on work that has been happening along the river to locate corners. He showed an example of a wooden corner post used back in the late 1800's. Finding the corners along the river are easier this time of year and when it warms up they will move inland.

Review/Discussion regarding the GIS/LIO Report: Mr. Machula discussed the website mapping program and some upcoming changes. The current company is retiring from the business. Option will need to be looked at to continue the online mapping program. He also discussed work he has been doing with addressing issues and data sharing with emergency services.

Review/Discussion regarding the Chairperson Report: Chair Weiss attended the Town of Canton meeting to discuss remonumentation. They are interested in getting their town complete but would need a loan for the money. They would like to borrow the \$60,000.00 fee and pay it back over 15 years at a rate of \$4,000.00 to \$5,000.00 per year. The committee discussed reaching out to Town of Nelson, Town of Maxville, Town of Alma, and Town of Buffalo to see if they would be interested in getting their remonumentation completed. Town of Alma and Buffalo were done many years ago by a different company that did not give any of the coordinates to the county for records and there has been some issues.

Review/Discussion/Action regarding the Next Meeting Date and Time: The next meeting date and time will be March 6, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

Public Comments Not Related to Agenda Items: Mr. Nelson discussed the MFL meeting in Madison. Rep. Pronschinske is also coming to the courthouse on February 7th to discuss this topic with those interested.

Adjournment: Mr. Taylor made a motion to adjourn at 9:57 a.m. Carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Roxann Halverson
County Clerk