

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS, GOODHUE COUNTY, MN
APRIL 7, 2020

The Goodhue County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, April 7, 2020, at 5:00 p.m. by virtual meeting with the County Administrator appearing from the County Board Room of the Government Center, Red Wing, MN with Commissioners Anderson, Majerus, Nesseth, Drotos and Flanders all present and appearing by virtual meeting.

C/Drotos asked if there were any disclosures of interest. There were none.

¹ Moved by C/Majerus, seconded by C/Nesseth, and carried to approve the March 17, 2020, County Board Minutes.

² Moved by C/Majerus, seconded by C/Flanders, and carried to approve the April 7, 2020, County Board Agenda as amended:

Administrator Arneson made the following changes:

- Removed item #12. Approve Award of CSAH 6 Grading Contract SAP 025-606-020 from the consent agenda
- Added staff workload update at the request of C/Nesseth under Commissioner Correspondence

³ Moved by C/Majerus, seconded by C/Anderson, and carried to approve the following items on the consent agenda as amended:

1. Approve Revision to 2020 Bridge Replacement Program.
2. Approve Kenyon Township Bridge Replacement Agreement.
3. Approve Award of 2020 Aggregate Surfacing Contract.
4. Approve Award of 2020 Seal Coat Contract.
5. Approve Award of 2020 Traffic Marking Contract.
6. Approve re-appointment of Marc Huneke to Planning Advisory Commission
7. Approve the Sale of Forfeiture Vehicle - 1999 Jeep Wrangler
8. Approve 2019-2020 Liquor Renewal
9. Approve 2020 DOR SLA Revenue Recapture Program
10. Approve Agency Agreement for HSIP Lighting Project SP 025-070-011.
11. Approve AIS Contracts.
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13. Approve the 2019 County Feedlot Officer Annual Report.
14. Approve to ratify the State of Emergency Declaration for Goodhue County.
15. Approve to ratify the Personnel Committee recommendation of promoting Ryan Bechel to the Planner/Zoning Administrator and moving to step 3 on the county pay scale after 6 month positive performance review.
16. Approve 2020-2025 Snowmobile Grants Resolution
17. Approve the 2020 Motorola service agreement.

LAND USE MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Conditional Use Permit- Request to Establish a Greater than 500 Animal Unit Feedlot Outside of a Farmyard and a Liquid Manure Storage Basin Exceeding 500,000 Gallons. The request for a CUP, submitted by Bryan and Brandon Billman (Applicants) and Kent Billman (Owner), to establish a hog finishing Feedlot for up to 2,400 head (720 Animal Units) outside of a Farmyard and construction of an animal waste storage pit exceeding 500,000 gallons.

The Planning Commissioner recommended approval with conditions.

⁴ Moved by C/Majerus, seconded by C/Anderson, and carried to approve the Planning Advisory Commission recommendation to adopt the staff report into the record; adopt the findings of fact; accept the application, testimony, exhibits, and other evidence presented into the record; and APPROVE the CUP requests, submitted by Bryan and Brandon Billman (Applicants) and Kent Billman (Owner), to establish a hog finishing Feedlot Outside of a Farmyard for up to 720 Animal Units and construction of an animal waste storage pit of up to 1,112,735 gallons.

Subject to the following conditions:

1. The Feedlot shall be constructed according to submitted plans, specifications, and narrative

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unless modified by a condition of this CUP;

2. Applicants shall obtain Building Permit approvals from the Goodhue County Land Use Management Department prior to establishing the use;
3. A stormwater management and erosion control plan shall be submitted for administrative review as part of the Building Permit Application for the project;
4. Compliance with Goodhue County Zoning Ordinance including, but not limited to, Article 21 "To effectively promote the safety, health, and well-being of our residents" www.co.goodhue.mn.us Page 5 of 5 (Agriculture Protection District) and Article 13 (Confined Feedlot Regulations);
5. Compliance with all necessary State and Federal registrations, permits, licensing, and regulations.

Conditional Use Permit- Request for CUP for a Utility-Scale Solar Energy System (SES). The request for CUP, submitted by Novel Energy Solutions (Applicant) and Dennis and Karen Heimer (Owner), for a Utility-Scale Photovoltaic Ground 1-Megawatt Solar Energy System occupying approximately 6.5 acres.

The Planning Commissioner recommended approval with conditions.

⁵ Moved by C/Anderson, seconded by C/Majerus, and carried to approve the Planning Advisory Commission recommendation to adopt the staff report into the record; adopt the findings of fact; accept the application, testimony, exhibits, and other evidence presented into the record; and APPROVE the request for a CUP submitted by Novel Energy Solutions (Applicant) and Dennis and Karen Heimer (Owners) for a Utility-Scale Photovoltaic Ground 1 Megawatt Solar Energy System (SES) occupying approximately 6.5 acres.

Subject to the following conditions:

1. Activities shall be conducted according to submitted plans, specifications, and narrative unless modified by a condition of this CUP;
2. The project shall be decommissioned according to Article 19 Section 6 of the Goodhue County "To effectively promote the safety, health, and well-being of our residents" www.co.goodhue.mn.us Page 4 of 4 Zoning Ordinance and submitted plans;
3. A decommissioning agreement between the landowner and Novel Energy Solutions shall be maintained to ensure reclamation of the area;
4. LUM staff shall be notified by the landowner or solar company 30 days prior to ownership transfer or operator changes;
5. Applicants shall communicate with Beau Kennedy, Wetlands Coordinator with the Goodhue SWCD to ensure compliance with applicable Wetlands Rules prior to completion of any site grading/construction and/or submittal of the Building Permit Application;
6. A stormwater management and erosion control plan shall be submitted for administrative review as part of the Building Permit Application for the project;
7. Applicants shall work with the Goodhue County Soil and Water Conservation District to determine an appropriate seed mix for disturbed areas of the site and should submit "seed tags" to the Land Use Management Department prior to final inspection;
8. Applicants shall obtain Building Permit approvals from the Goodhue County Land Use Management Department prior to establishing the use;
9. Compliance with Goodhue County Zoning Ordinance including, but not limited to, Article 19 Solar Energy Systems (SES) and Article 21 (Agricultural Protection District). The applicant shall request a final inspection of the project for compliance with applicable zoning requirements upon completion of the project;
10. Compliance with all necessary State and Federal registrations, permits, licensing, and regulations;
11. This CUP shall expire 30 years from the date of approval unless terminated prior to that date.

HUMAN RESOURCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Emergency Responder. Staff recommended the Board exclude the proposed list of positions from the e-FMLA program and to include the listed positions in the Paid Sick Leave program.

⁶ Moved by C/Anderson, seconded by C/Nesseth, and carried to approve to exclude the following positions from the e-FMLA and include them in the Paid Sick Leave program:

- Patrol Deputy • Patrol Deputy Sergeant • Patrol Captain • Dispatch • Dispatch Sergeant

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• Communications Captain • Detention Deputy • Detention Deputy Sergeant • ADC Captain • ADC Lieutenant • Emergency Management Director • Emergency Management Clerk • Investigator • Investigator Captain • Chief Deputy

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

DairiConcepts, LP Business Subsidy/Tax Abatement Set Public Hearing Notice. The Economic Development Authority Board (EDA) approved the LP Business Subsidy/Tax Abatement application from DairiConcepts. The County Board is required to set a public hearing. A proposed draft public hearing notice for May 5, 2020, which includes how comments could be submitted for the public hearing was included in the board packet.

⁷ Moved by C/Anderson, seconded by C/Flanders, and carried to approve to set a public hearing for the LP Business Subsidy/Tax Abatement application from DairiConcepts, for May 5, 2020.

Virtual County Meetings Update. Staff requested direction from the board on how often they wanted to meet moving forward with virtual meetings. Staff recommendation was to meet once per month through June 30 on the 1st Tuesday of the month at 9:00 a.m. The Health and Human Services Board would continue to meet as they normally do, on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 10:30 a.m.

⁸ Moved by C/Anderson, seconded by C/Drotos, and carried to approve for the County Board to meet once per month through June 30 on the 1st Tuesday of the month at 9:00 a.m. The Health and Human Services Board would continue to meet as they normally do, on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 10:30 a.m.

Emergency Management Director- Corona Virus (COVID-19) Update. Emergency Management Director, Diane Richter-Bwier updated the board

COMMISSIONER CORRESPONDENCE

No Wake Emergency Ordinance- Commissioner Drotos. C/Drotos commented that this was no longer an issue.

SMIF Early Childhood Relief Fund. Southern Minnesota Initiative Foundation created the Early Childhood Relief Fund to ensure the future of our region by financially supporting the needs of child care providers. Dollars raised will be used to support the Emergency Child Care Grants along with additional needs of child care providers as the COVID-19 crisis continues. The request was for a financial donation to support the program.

⁹ Moved by C/Anderson, seconded by C/Flanders, and carried to approve a \$5,000 contribution to Southern Minnesota Initiative Foundation for the Early Childhood Relief Fund, to be paid for using EDA fund balance.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

C/Drotos	•
C/Nesseth	•
C/Anderson	•
C/Majerus	•
C/Flanders	•
Administrator Arneson	•

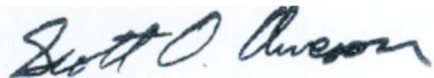
Review and Approve the County Claims

¹⁰ Moved by C/Anderson, seconded by C/Nesseth, and carried to approve to pay the County claims in the amount of 01-General Revenue \$1,186,041.70, 03-Public Works \$74,592.64, 11- Human Service Fund \$170,216.89, 21-ISTS \$00, 25- EDA \$7,242.50, 30-Capital Improvement \$00, 31-Capital Equipment \$00, 34-Capital Equipment \$146,134.04, 35-Debt Services \$00, 40-County Ditch \$00, 61-Waste Management \$11,947.92, 62-Recycling Center \$00, 63-HHW \$00, 72-Other Agency Funds \$111,545.26, 81-Settlement \$6,303.27, in the total amount of \$1,714,885.22.


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Adjourn

- ¹¹ Moved by C/Majerus, seconded by C/Flanders, and carried to approve to adjourn the April 7, 2020, County Board Meeting.



SCOTT O. ARNESON
COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR



PAUL DROTOS, CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

MINUTE

- 1 Approved the March 17, 2020 County Board Meeting Minutes. (Motion carried 5-0)
- 2 Approve the April 7, 2020 County Board Meeting Agenda as amended. (Motion carried 5-0)
- 3 Approved the Consent Agenda as amended. (Motion carried 5-0)
- 4 Approved a conditional use permit for Bryan and Brandon and Kent Billman. (Motion carried 5-0)
- 5 Approved a conditional use permit for Denise and Karen Heimer. (Motion carried 5-0)
- 6 Approved to exclude a list of first responder positions from e-FLMA and include them in the Paid Sick Leave Program. (Motion carried 5-0)
- 7 Approved to set a public hearing date for the tax abatement for DairiConcepts. (Motion carried 5-0)
- 8 Approved the virtual meeting schedule. (Motion carried 5-0)
- 9 Approved a \$5,000 contribution to SMIF. (Motion carried 5-0)
- 10 Approved the County Claims. (Motion carried 5-0)
- 11 Approved to adjourn the April 7, 2020 County Board Meeting. (Motion carried 5-0)