

Planning Commission

7:00 p.m.

Township Hall 12165 Hancock Street Becker, MN 55308

January 9, 2017

- 1) Call to Order
- 2) Agenda Review & Adoption
- 3) Approve Minutes
- 4) New Business
 - (a) Review/Update By-laws
 - (b) Commercial Kennel Ordinance Public Hearing
 - (c) Sexual Predator Ordinance Request
- 5) Other Business
 - (a) Updates
- 6) Adjourn

BECKER PLANNING COMMISSION JANUARY 9, 2017 MEETING MINUTES

Board Members Present: Brad Wilkening, James Mecklenburg, Brian Kolbinger, Lucinda Messman

Absent: Jeff Lambert

Staff Present: Kelli Bourgeois – Township Attorney; Marie Pflipsen – Becker Community Coordinantor;

Fran Seeley - Deputy Clerk

Chair called meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Quorum verified present.

Motion to adopt Agenda after striking Commercial Kennel Ordinance Review by Mecklenburg. Second by Kolbinger. Motion carried, all voting in favor.

Motion to adopt November 2016 Meeting Minutes by Kolbinger. Second by Mecklenburg. Motion carried, all voting in favor.

By-Laws were reviewed and no changes necessary.

Sexual Predator Draft Ordinance - review by Attorney Bourgeois

- Not a zoning ordinance
- Becker Town Board received a request for this type of ordinance. That board has asked both Planning and Joint Planning Boards to review and send opinion forward.
- These ordinances are common in the metro area and used to regulate where Level 3 offenders live
- Goal of this ordinance is to restrict level 3 offenders (from any state) from residing within 2,000 feet of areas where children are likely to congregate such as schools.
- Much discussion regarding ordinance in other area and definitions.
- Attorney Bourgeois cautioned that these individuals have already served their time and if a
 family member lives within 2,000 feet of the area where children congregate, the person could
 live at that location. Also highlighted was the severability clause included in this draft.
- Board members felt this draft makes sense and had no comments to forward to the Township Board.

No further business.

Motion to adjourn by Kolbinger. Second by Mecklenburg. Motion carried, all voting in favor.

Meeting adorned at 7:30 p.m.

Brad Wilkening, Chair

Lucinda Messman, Clerk