

Avon Township Planning Board

April 27, 2005

Avon City Hall

Discussion Hour - 7:00 pm

Discussion began concerning the Avon Hills Conference sessions. Organizers felt it went well. Ideas and plans which resulted are;

- 1) members may write position papers on various Avon Hills concerns
- 2) maybe the area should be an environmental overlay district
- 3) new ideas may be included into the subdivision ordinance. In the future, lots may be planned for possible division if there is sewer and water expansion in the area.
- 4) present farm growth should be allowed
- 5) suggestion for a conservation payment for prairie or woodland at CRP levels.

Collegetown is beginning a growth plan of their own.

Possible new members for the Avon board were discussed. Ed Springer Jr., Steve Himsl, Steve Saupe were mentioned. Clerk will send applications to these people.

Mergen suggested that any new members should go along on the road inspection to become familiar with the township area.

At 8:00 pm, Chairman Plantenberg called the meeting to order. All present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Present, Richard Bresnahan, John Merdan, Ken Mergen, Steve Plantenberg. Cliff Borgerding was a few minutes late. Renee Smith also present.

Kathy Korte, of the assessors office was present to finish the report of the equalization meeting. Mike Guggenberger and LeRoy Gondringer were present to hear the results of a few visits the assessor make to taxpayer's property. The final results were approved by the supervisors. The assessors office will send a copy of the final report.

Minutes: motion by Bresnahan, seconded by Merdan, to approve the minutes of the last regular meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

Nancy and Paul Moran, and John and Mary Eisenschenk were present to tell of their plans. The Moran's will sell and Eisenschenks will buy a 40 acre parcel. They will need a certificate of compliance. First, they are having a survey of the property done. Motion by Bresnahan, seconded by Merdan, to recommend to approve a certificate of compliance after the survey work is finished. All in favor, motion carried.

Chester and Lois Angulski brought copies of the two separate plats they are planning. Board reviewed the diagrams.

At 8:15, Chairman Plantenberg opened a public hearing on behalf of Casper Schwalbe. Schwalbe asked for an interim use permit to move a 16x80 mobile home on to his parents farmstead. They would use the same driveway. Interim allowed was set at 10 years. No public was present and no comment received by mail. Motion by Merdan, seconded by Mergen, to close the public hearing. All in favor, motion carried.

Borgerding has visited the site, and saw no problem. Motion by Mergen, seconded by Merdan, to approve the interim use permit. All in favor, motion carried.

Discussion continued with the Angulski's. Some of the present lots have cabins on them. In the future, buyers would possibly take the cabins down, and replace them with permanent homes. There would be planned open space in the plats. Motion by Bresnahan, seconded by Mergen, to recommend a public hearing to consider 2 plats for the Angulski's, for May 25 at 7:00 pm. All in favor, motion carried.

Chairman Plantenberg opened a hearing for Jim and Marlene Dobmeier. They will need two variances. They will build a new home on Pelican Lake. The new garage will be 35 feet from the road right of way. Also, the new drain field will extend into the culvert which is buried under the ground on the lot. This is needed for storm water drainage and cannot be moved. Motion by Merdan, seconded by Mergen, to close the hearing. Plantenberg suggested that they try to line up the house with neighboring houses closest to the lake to minimize traffic and safety problems on the road. Motion by Bresnahan, seconded by Plantenberg, to recommend to approve the variances. All in favor, motion carried.

Borgerding signed off on a county permit:

2005-04-03 Glenn and Kristi Thull, 37582 Riley Court, Avon 56310. Permit to construct a new home.

Township permits:

2005-04-04 Stearns County, 35300 Tower Road, Avon 56310. Permit to construct 12x16 pre fab building to house tower equipment.

2005-04-01 Mike and Christine Pederson, 16075 County Road 52, Avon 56310. Permit to construct 32x32 foot accessory building.

2005-04-02 Bob Maleska, 37412-160 Avenue, Avon 56310. Permit to construct machine shed. Paper work was not available. Property should be checked for junk which may need to be cleaned up. Motion by Bresnahan, seconded by Mergen to recommend approval of the permits. All in favor, motion carried.

Driveway permits:

2005-04-03 Glenn and Kristi Thull 37582 Riley Court Avon 56310. Permit to construct driveway, road damage deposit required.

Motion by Plantenberg, seconded by Mergen, to recommend approval of the permits. All in favor, motion carried.

Dan and Brenda VonWahlde have a problem with storm water drainage off County Road 9. They have been issued a driveway permit 2005-04-06. Try to involve county advice to be sure the culvert is deep enough for a large amount of run off.

Motion by Bresnahan, seconded by Merdan to name Plantenberg chairman for the coming year.

Motion by Bresnahan, seconded by Merdan, to name Mergen as Vice Chairman for this year.

Plantenberg said planning board meetings will continue to start at 7:00 pm.

Motion by Bresnahan, seconded by Merdan to adjourn meeting adjourned at 9:20 pm.