



Planning Commission Meeting Minutes

April 10, 2023

7:30pm

Meeting was called to order at 7:30pm by Jeremy Irrthum

ATTENDANCE

Jeremy Irrthum
Casondra Schaffer
David Peine
Matt Bester
Cody Tix

- *Blake Otte*
 - 507.291.0196
 - 2 separate permits for 2 separate AG sheds (he will bring correct application to the meeting)
 - 27729 Emery Avenue – remove and replace existing heifer sheds w/ 64'x200'x16' loading shed

Total of 10.7 acres with 3 sheds. Blake Otte and his mother own the land. 4.5% is allowed for out buildings so he is allowed 450,000 square feet of shed space. One shed is 56x200x16, 2nd one is 30x60 and 3rd one is 32x90 for a total of 15,882 square foot for all 3 sheds which is less than the 4.5% allowed.

Matt Bester made a motion to recommend the Board allow Blake Otte to build 56'x 200'x 16' shed replacing olds shed at 27729 Emery Avenue. Dave Peine seconded. Motion carried.

- 26829 Donnelly Avenue – replace the existing 48'x168' barn w/ 66'x292'x14'

Existing shed will be torn down but concrete and such are staying. They are not changing the number of animals. This has 160 acres. Blake was advised to talk to building official in case a demo permit is required. Jeremy stated the Planning Commission just make recommendations.

Dave Peine made a motion to allow Blake Otte to replace the existing shed to 66' x 292' x 14' foot. There are no issues with acreage and not expanding the herd at all just replacing existing sheds that need repair at 26829 Donnelly Avenue. Casondra Schaffer seconded. Motion carried.

- *Rick Beckman/Logan Kornovich*
 - 612.369.1422
 - ? outbuilding @ 6670 250th Street East
 - Would like outbuilding on south side of property, well is on north side between house and road, and septic is straight east of house
 - Coming for information only

Nothing to discuss since they did not attend.

- *Chip Callister/Noah Callister*
 - 651.278.2042
 - ? about Unique Agricultural Enterprise
 - 26659 Inga Avenue
 - Coming for information only

No action taken since Chip was here for information only. If Chip gets any information he will send to clerk and he will come back in May to Planning Commission.

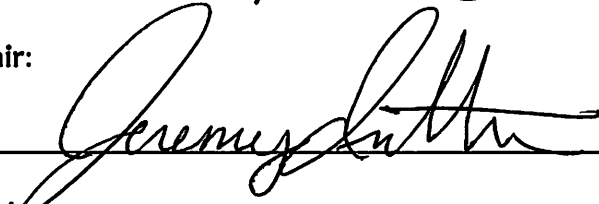
Chip Callister wants to bring in another income on his family farm by doing an Agro-Tourism Idea. Callister's want to be an advocate for the farming community and educate people on where food comes from. They want to use there existing assets. They have 2-8,000 bushel grain bins that they want to make into living quarters. They have a cow/calf herd. They want people to be able to walk or ride their trails and experience the wild life in a creek on their property. They feel people are disconnected from the farm and they have an ideal location to advocate for the farm. The idea is For a retreat spot where people from the cities can come learn about the farm. It would be similar to an Air B&B and would have more traffic in the summer time. The bins would be heated and have bathrooms. It would not be a fulltime living quarters as the intent is to just rent them out. It seems like section 6.07 of the Hampton Township Ordinance manual prohibits this. It doesn't seem possible but it may not be impossible. Our ordinance only allows one house per 40 acres. Chip could check with Cannon Falls Township and see how they zoned the Air B&B that they allowed. Chip Asked if the 2 bins were attached if they would essentially count as one? Jim Sipe was presented and stated Hampton

Township is about single family homes and this sounds more like commercial like a motel in which they are trying to make AG related. Hampton Township is about Agriculture use not like hotel type use (which is more commercial). It would be drifting us away from the agriculture use we cherish in Hampton Township. Callister's could maybe do more like a camp for a weekend where they bring their campers and leave. It would be best for Callister's and the Planning Commission to research the idea more. Chip Callister will send information to the clerk if he gets any. Clerk will send on new information to Planning Commission. Callister's would like to move the bins to the correct spot on the property this summer and start the work this winter. Chip plans to come back in May. Jim Sipe suggest Chip talk to our Building official also.

Cody Tix made a motion to adjourn the meeting @ 8:12pm. Casondra Schaffer seconded. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned.

Date Signed: 05/08/2023

Chair:



Clerk:

