

**Silver Creek Township
Planning and Zoning Meeting Minutes
June 6, 2023**

Call to Order and the Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Newman called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm on June 6, 2023 at the Silver Creek Township Hall with all joining in for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members Present:

Chris Newman	Jesse Dickinson	Mike Helman
Dan Mielke	Justin Hall	Ryan Nelson
Mark Egge	Sandy Forsman	Brandon Geyen

Absent:

4 on Zoom
10 signed in
15 in attendance

Chair Report

a) Welcome to the new P&Z Committee Members, Jesse Dickinson and Justin Hall

b) Nominations for P & Z Chair and Vice-Chair

Motion was made by Member Mark Egge to nominate Chairman Newman for the Planning & Zoning Chairman, Seconded by; member Dickinson. Carried 8-0

Motion was made by Supervisor Forsman to nominate member Dan Mielke for the Planning & Zoning Vice-Chair position, Seconded by; Chairman Newman. Carried 9-0

Approval of the Minutes

A motion was made by Mark Egge; Seconded by Supervisor Helman to approve April 4, 2023 Planning and Zoning meeting minutes. Motion Carried 8-0, Chairman Newman abstained.

New Business

Steve & Nancy Betzler – 156th St: Steve and Nancy Betzler would like to split one parcel into 2 lot's, it would be under PUD, Wild and Scenic River District. They meet all the qualifications for the PUD Wild and Scenic River District: Permitted uses #6 Single-family residential uses; Conditional uses, #6 Residential subdivision subject to management plan specification NR-2400 and the county's land use plan. Performance Standards; #1 Lot area regulations, a) The minimum lot size shall be two acres; b) Lot width at building line: 200 feet.

Supervisor Nelson made a motion to approve Steve and Nancy's proposal for a recommendation for the PUD. Seconded by Supervisor Egge; Carried 8-0, Chairman Newman did not vote.

Olson's Truck Stop – 4101 148th St NW. Olson's Truck stop did not show for the meeting so, the yearly review is not complete.

Martin Marietta – Christina Morrison Land & Environmental Services Manager, internal review of current CUP Christina Morrison with Martin Marietta Corp was present. They previously operated as Tiller Corporation or Barton Sand & Gravel for many years. This site has been in

operation since the late 60's, so it's reaching a mature stage and life cycles and the focus is really on utilizing the remaining aggregates resources on the property and really shifting to reclamation.

A little bit of background – It's typically been a pretty quiet site over the years, in 2021-22 the Interstate 94 project, saw a dramatic increase in activity. They saw volumes of material go out of this site in one year that typically would occur over the course of like 5 years. In preparation for that activity they met with the Township and Wright County. In 2019 there was a permit that was applied for to operate a temporary asphalt plant, which never came to cohesion, they never operated an asphalt plant here. That permit also accommodated a temporary ready mix plant, that did go up, and was used during the course of the Interstate 94 project at the site.

They are not a concrete ready mix producer here in MN, there is other part's of Martin Marietta's business that operates Ready Mix plants, they sublease a small portion of the site to PCI which is very much involved in the construction of I-94. They used a lot of the aggregate resources that they had in the site and using their own trucks. That temporary permit expired in December of 2022. The temporary plant was taken down and cleaned up by PCI. They can continue reclamation from North to South. Now that the permits expired and everything is reduced back to the same type of activity that had been experienced many years prior.

They are hoping to be open 3 days per week this season. They do have a production crew scheduled to come out toward the end of summer maybe early fall and produce some aggregate materials for several weeks before the season is over.

During the course of the I94 project there were complaints with the heavy truck load. They did contact Wright County and told them to ticketing drivers that were on the road. Added pavement to the entrance to improve tracking and dust control, so there was some improvements made to the site as well.

They will comply with the new ordinance rules. The trucks are contracted out, they are not theirs. The trucks will not be parked on the road they will be inside the staging area. Do they anticipate any more mining at the lake? That is something she would have to check into. They have no interest at this time. The agreement with Xcel for aggregates is for the next 20 years.

Jeff Gorman – 5355 130th St NW – Mr. Jeff Gorman would like to put up a 40 x 60 shed on his property to use for storage. There will be no running water & no septic. The shed has a setback of 100ft from the lake he's looking for a 30ft variance to build his shed. The slope from the shed to the lake is pretty natural not a very steep slope. To build the shed back it is filled with trees and slopes down, the hill would need a lot of fill. Why have it that close to the lake? Proximity, the cars would be parked in there, ease of use for storage for the boat and water activities. Other areas of his land are very low with trees and boggy. The line of sight meaning the neighbors will not see it.

Motion made by Supervisor Nelson to approve the 30ft Variance for Jeff Gorman to build a shed 70ft back, with his lot and all the trees it's not going to affect anyone but him; Seconded by Supervisor Geyen. Carried 8-0

Old Business: Nothing to report

Unfinished Business: Nothing to report

Upcoming Items: July Meeting – We will look into it and let the Board know.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn the meeting by Supervisor Geyen, Seconded by Member Dickinson at 7:59pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Silver Creek Township Clerk,
Heidi Eckerman
06-06-2023 Minutes
Approved by Board of Supervisors
07-06-2023



