

Bennet Planning Commission
Regular Meeting Minutes
December 22, 2021

The Bennet Planning Commission held a regular meeting on Wednesday, December 22, 2021 at 7:30 p.m. at Village Hall, 685 Monroe Street in the Village. The session was open to the public and proceeded by advance publicized notice duly given in strict compliance with the provisions of the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 84, Article 14, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska by posting at Village Hall, the Post Office, and First Nebraska Bank.

Chairperson Josh Buck called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and announced the Open Meetings Act was posted. Roll call: Josh Buck, Ryan Moore, Marilyn Maney, Greg Pohl, and alternate Amber Bogle present. Audrey Roesler absent.

Buck moved and Pohl seconded a motion to approve the amended minutes from November 24, 2021 which reflect Maney instead of Buck making the motion to recommend approval of the Special Use Permit to allow a farm implement dealership in the A-1 District and Buck instead of Maney making the motion to recommend a moratorium on acreage development in the A-1 zoning district. Roll call: Maney, Buck, Moore, Roesler, Pohl voted Yes. Motion carried.

A public hearing was held to receive public comment in favor of, or in opposition to approval of Subdivision Design Standards, an Ordinance amending Subdivision Regulations providing that design and construction of public infrastructure to be designed and constructed in conformance with design standards; and recommended testing inspections. Chairperson Buck opened the Public Hearing at 7:34 p.m. There being no public comment Buck closed the hearing at 7:38 p.m. Pohl moved and Buck seconded a motion to recommend approval of the purposed Subdivision Design Standards, an Ordinance amending Subdivision Regulations providing that design and construction of public infrastructure to be designed and constructed in conformance with design standards; and recommended testing inspections. Roll call: Maney, Buck, Moore, Roesler, Pohl voted Yes. Motion carried.

MPC (Marvin Planning Consultants) had the only Request for Proposal (RFP) submitted for the Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Regulation update. His RFP

was for \$15,000. Buck moved and Maney seconded a motion to recommend the Board of Trustees accept the Request for Proposal (RFP) from MPC (Marvin Planning Consultants) in the amount of \$15,000 for the Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Regulation update. Roll call: Maney, Buck, Moore, Roesler, Pohl voted Yes. Motion carried.

Lincoln reported that Rex Nelson, an Extension Educator with UNL had reached out to see if there was anything UNL could do to assist Bennet with economic development. Nelson connected her with Dr. Tang, the Program Director with the Community and Regional Planning Program. His students help towns with downtown planning but are already committed to other projects. He did offer to help recruit a student to assist us and said there was a possibility Bennet could be a summer or fall semester project in 2022. Tom Bliss with SENDD has still not gotten back regarding lending assistance with a Downtown Revitalization Plan.

Sighting no further business, Buck adjourned the meeting at 8:12 p.m.

Michele Lincoln, CMC
Village Clerk/Zoning Administrator