

December 18, 2023

## Jessenland Township Planning and Zoning

### Minutes

1. Review and approve minutes of November 20, 2023 meeting. (Steve/Matt) Passed
2. Approve agenda. (Steve/Rosemary) Passed
3. Requests:
  - Over the Counter:
  - Conditional Use:
  - Variance:
  - Other:
4. Action:
5. Other Business:

Concerns and comments from Gene Wentzlaff about the Thomas' event barn, which he is the closest neighbor to it. His first concern was about getting traffic for the event barn mistakenly using his driveway, and turning around in the driveway, and/or yard. He has contacted the sheriff over one incident but not the Thomas', who from a phone contact from the township, seemed totally unaware of the problems. The p&z administrator will contact Thomas' and ask them to put up a larger, lighted, more obvious sign for the event barn, one that could be seen before cars turn up the wrong driveway. The second concern was about excessive noise/music coming from the event barn on May 20<sup>th</sup>. Again, in a phone conversation with the Thomas' they seemed unaware of this. The C.U.P. does place a restriction of a 100 decibel maximum reading on the music when taken at the barn door which is nearest the Wentzlaff's. Gene was advised to contact the township planning and zoning administrator or the sheriff the next time the music is excessive. Thomas' will also be contacted to ask if their decibel reader can save readings. The conditions of the C.U.P. should be enforced. Thomas' C.U.P. comes up for renewal in 2025 but the public hearing will be in spring 2024. These concerns will be looked at then, as well.

Byway

More calls have come in from contractors, including Kotasek, on the Co. 6, Scenic road project concerning borrow sites. The township does not require any permitting for a borrow site if it is part of a road project that is contiguous to it. However, floodplain zoning, setbacks for bluffs, tree removal, or other township ordinances would still need to be followed. The contract for the County 6 road project does require permitting, including a reclamation plan and erosion/runoff control with Sibley County.

The discussion on C.U.P. renewals will be continued at the January meeting.

6. Adjourned. (Steve/Rosemary) Passed

7. Next regular meeting: January **22**, 2024 7:00p.m. `

\_\_\_\_\_ Rosemary Dieball, clerk

Members present: Deb Boettcher, Matt Skelley, Steve Skelley, Kyle Iverson, Rosemary Dieball