

McPherson County Zoning Board
Minutes of Proceedings
January 16, 2024

The McPherson County Zoning Board was called to order by Chairman Jeff Neuharth at 9:59 A.M. in the Commissioner's Chambers. Members present included Jeff Neuharth, George Hulscher, Dan Mettler, and Richard Kolb. Absent was Alvin Kallas. Also, present was Hunter Heinrich from Zoning Administration and people from the public including, Sean Lawler and Evan Devereaux from National Grid Renewables, and Alex Lange from Summit Carbon Solutions.

George moved and Richard seconded to approve the agenda with the addition of entering into Executive Session for personnel matters. Motion carried.

Dan moved and George seconded to approve the November 29th, 2023 meeting minutes as published. Motion carried.

A conflict of interest was discussed. Jeff disclosed that he had a previous conversation with a Summit Carbon Solutions representative concerning the topic of today's meeting agenda item.

Sean Lawler and Evan Devereaux, representatives from National Grid Renewables came forward to speak with the board. They discussed a wind tower project being built in the north central and north eastern portion of the county. Their proposed project is to have between 67 and 110 wind towers. They also questioned what kind of permit they would need to build meteorological towers for weather research. The board also asked questions for the representatives.

Alex Lange, a representative from Summit Carbon Solutions came forward to speak with the board. He gave updates on the project as well as asked the board to look into finding a 3rd party engineer.

A brief discussion was had on the zoning book update.

Richard made a motion and Dan seconded to enter executive session at 10:58 A.M. to discuss personnel matters. Motion carried. George made a motion and Richard seconded to leave executive session at 11:28 A.M. Motion Carried.

Jeff will suggest to the Commissioners a set meeting time for future zoning board meetings.

Building permits 24-04 through 24-09 were mentioned. Building permits were:

- 24-04 – Spring Creek Colony – New Shop
- 24-05 – Spring Creek Colony – New Kitchen
- 24-06 – Spring Creek Colony – Trailer Houses moved onto property
- 24-07 – Spring Creek Colony – New Church
- 24-08 – Waltman Farms – New Storage Shed
- 24-09 – Kindelspire Farms – New Garage
- 24-10 – David Hoops – New Grain Bin

The next meeting will tentatively be Thursday, February 8th at 10:00 A.M.

George moved and Dan seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:52 A.M.

Hunter Heinrich
Zoning Administration

Jeff Neuharth
Chairman of the Zoning Board