

The Jefferson County Planning and Zoning Commission held a public hearing on Thursday August 14th 2024 at 7:00pm in the Jefferson County District Courtroom. Members present were Dustin Fairley, Kevin Banahan, Andy Snyder, Mike Hansmire, Randy Welsch, Damon Thomas, Bruce Livingston, and zoning administrator John McKee. There were 42 citizens in attendance.

Chairman Welsch called the meeting to order at 7:02pm and noted that a copy of the open meetings act was available on the table. Hansmire made a motion to approve the agenda and minutes as printed, seconded by Snyder, motion approved. Secretary Fairley read the minutes from the previous meeting; minutes were approved as read.

File 01-25 Special use permit requested for the purpose of placing a municipal well in the Agriculture District. The meeting was open to public comment, with a requested 5-minute time limit per speaker. Scott Nelson of the Little Blue NRD gave a overview of the project. Eleven local residents spoke on both sides of the issue. Public comments were closed and comments and discussion were heard from the commission members. Fairley made a motion to approve File 01-25 Special use permit. Seconded by Banahan. There was discussion about if permitting wells was in our jurisdiction. Motion passed.

File 02-25 Special use permit requested for the purpose of placing a municipal well in the Agricultural District. There was no discussion or comments. A motion was made by Banahan to approve File 02-25. Seconded by Snyder. Motion carried.

File 03-25 Special use permit requested for the purpose of placing a municipal booster station and ground storage tank in the Agriculture District. There was discussion and a motion by Banahan to approve File 03-25, Seconded by Fairley. Motion carried.

There was discussion on changing the new acreage size for building homes. After much discussion it was decided to leave the regs as they are.

There was much discussion on commercial solar regulations with some comments heard from the public.

Next meeting will be September 3rd @ 7:00pm in the Jefferson County District Courtroom.

Motion by Banahan to adjourn, seconded by Thomas. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned 10:00pm

Respectfully submitted, Dustin Fairley Secretary