

PROCEEDINGS OF THE ST. CLOUD ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

A meeting of the St. Cloud Zoning Board of Appeals was held on Tuesday, May 19, 2015, at 7 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers.

ROLL CALL: Members present were Bright, Hultgren, Newman, Radin and Zenzen. Kulane was absent. Staff present were Dave Broxmeyer and Ashley Skaggs.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE APRIL 21, 2015 ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS MEETING

ACTION TAKEN: Bright/Newman/Approved (5-0)

CUP-2015-03 / AUBRIGHT ON BEHALF OF CANINE AGILITY OF CENTRAL MN / 640 60TH ST S

ACTION TAKEN: Bright/Hultgren/Approved (5-0)

Broxmeyer explained a request for approval of a Conditional Use Permit (CUP). The applicants are requesting to operate a canine agility training program in an industrially zoned part of the city. The applicants are proposing to install three 100' x 100' fenced areas in the green space on the south side of the existing industrial building. The fenced areas will be used to instruct the canine handler's and their dogs in agility skills and obedience training. The only proposed building is a 12' x 12' moveable shed to be used for storage. Staff is recommending approval contingent upon a written parking agreement with the neighboring property.

Zenzen noted four letters received in support of the request. Zenzen opened the public hearing and invited testimony. The following persons testified:

Dorein Johnson, 16777 County Rd 75 NW, Clearwater - She is the president of Canine Agility of Central MN. The canine agility program has been in search of a new location after the current location was sold. The program has partnered with the Children's Home and area 4H Clubs. There are five major competitions each year where 30-100 people come to compete in canine agility.

Newman asked if there will be any boarding or breeding of animals on site. Johnson stated there would not be.

There being no one else wishing to speak, the public hearing was closed. Bright made a motion to approve the request subject to staff recommendations. The motion was seconded by Hultgren. Hultgren asked if any communication had been received by neighboring properties. Broxmeyer stated that all required property owners had been notified. He heard from one resident that was interested in what the request entailed but was not concerned. Zenzen called for a vote and the motion carried unanimously.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

ACTION TAKEN: Slate Approved (5-0)

Broxmeyer explained that with the expiration of Barkalow's term, the Chair position must be filled. Newman nominated Hultgren as chair. Bright nominated Newman as secretary.

Bright made a motion to approve the following slate of officers:

Chair - Hultgren

Vice-Chair – Zenzen
Secretary – Newman

The motion was seconded by Radin and carried unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS

ACTION TAKEN: None

The Planning Commission reviewed the resolution from the Zoning Board of Appeals regarding notification requirements. After a lengthy discussion, the Planning Commission decided not to pursue an amendment but develop a better policy for the yard sign requirement.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:18 p.m.