In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, and pursuant to Minnesota Statute Chapter 12 relating to Emergency Management, Governor Walz has declared a state of emergency. In response to the state of emergency and in accordance with Minnesota Statute Chapter 13D.021, Feedlot Review Committee members may participate by telephone or other electronic means. The meeting will be recorded and held via WebEx to conform with MDH and CDC guidelines to minimize gatherings.

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1. Call the meeting to order / Introductions
2. Oath of Office for all new members
3. Code of Ethics for all members
4. Review/Approve minutes from the November 27, 2019 meeting
5. Review/Approve minutes from the December 18, 2019 meeting
6. Review the January 16, 2020 Planning Commission recommendation and the January 28, 2020 County Board decision on the following application:
   a) DM Dingmann Farms, LLC – Collegeville Township (P-015035)
      o Section 4.4, 4.6, 4.8, 4.14, 6.7, 7.8 and 9.3 of Stearns County Land Use and Zoning Ordinance #439 requires a CUP to construct a 62'x312' total confinement barn with a 62'x242'x12' concrete under barn liquid manure storage area (LMSA) and an attached 36'x60' covered feed storage shed. And a 100'x300' feed storage pad/area.
7. Review the following application: (This item does not need to go to Planning Commission and does not require a vote by FRC.)
a) **John and Kristie Schiffler – Krain Township (F-000672)**

Section 6.7.3 C of Stearns County Land Use and Zoning Ordinance #439 requires a FRC review to construct the following:

- 24,100 sq ft permanent stockpile pad with 4 foot walls. (#07)
- 386’x156’x11.5’ liquid manure storage area (LMSA). (#06)
- 170’x230’ slatted floor barn with a 10’x135’ under barn LMSA (125’ of the LMSA is 4’ deep and 10’ is 8’ deep). (#08 and #11)
- An existing unpermitted 40’x114’ partial confinement barn with a 30’x114’ open lot will be permitted following an approved variance or animals will need to be removed. (#12)

8. Other discussion item - Feedlot annual report (Becky)

9. Adjourn

10. Collect completed mileage/per diem forms
STEARNS COUNTY FEEDLOT REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING
AT STEARNS COUNTY SERVICE CENTER WEST, ROOM 121B

MINUTES FROM THE NOVEMBER 27, 2019 MEETING

Committee Members Present: Chair Amber Mielke, Nathan Hylla, Brenda Postels, Dale Job, Dale Hegland, Ken Massmann, and James Hemmesch
Committee Members Excused: James Weller
Committee Members Absent: None
Others Present: None
Staff Members Present: Alyssa Westergren

The meeting was called to order by Chair Amber Mielke at 12:59 p.m.

Approval of September 25, 2019 Meeting Minutes
The Committee reviewed the minutes from the September 25, 2019 meeting. Jim Hemmesch made a motion to approve the September 25, 2019 minutes, which was seconded by Dale Job. The motion carried unanimously.

John & Dorothy Funk LLC – Grove Township (P-014086)
Chair Mielke reviewed the Planning Commission recommendation for the John & Dorothy Funk LLC CUP application. On October 17,2019, the Planning Commission recommended approval with the staff recommendations to the County Board. On October 22, 2019, the County Board approved the application with the Planning Commission recommendations.

Middendorf Family Farm LLC – Millwood Township (P-014174)
Chair Mielke reviewed the Planning Commission recommendation for the Middendorf Family Farm LLC CUP application. On October 17,2019, the Planning Commission recommended approval with the staff recommendations to the County Board. On October 22, 2019, the County Board approved the application with the Planning Commission recommendations.

Neil & Kathy Yamry – Krain Township (F-000633)
Chair Amber Mielke gave an overview of the feedlot Construction Site Permit application and staff report.

Feedlot Review Committee Discussion/Recommendations
Ken Massmann questioned if they needed to pay an additional fee for their application to be brought to the Feedlot Review Committee. Chair Amber Mielke responded that there is no additional fee that the applicant needed to pay. It is a requirement of the ordinance, because they are in the A-40 zoning district, to have feedlot construction site permit applications be brought to the feedlot review committee for review.

Adjourn
With no further discussion, a motion was made by Dale Hegland, seconded by Jim Hemmesch, to adjourn the meeting at 1:07 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.
STEARNS COUNTY FEEDLOT REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING
AT STEARNS COUNTY SERVICE CENTER WEST, ROOM 121B

MINUTES FROM THE DECEMBER 18, 2019 MEETING

Committee Members Present: Chair BethyJo Juetten, Nathan Hylla, Emily Wilmes, Dale Job, Dale Hegland, Ken Massmann, James Weller and James Hemmesch
Committee Members Excused: None
Committee Members Absent: None
Others Present: None
Staff Members Present: Alyssa Westergren

The meeting was called to order by Chair BethyJo Juetten at 1:01 p.m.

Introductions of Feedlot Review Committee members and Environmental Services staff were made.

Approval of November 27, 2019 Meeting Minutes
Emily Wilmes made a motion to table the November 27, 2019 minutes until next meeting, which was seconded by Ken Massmann. The motion carried unanimously.

DM Dingmann Farms, LLC – Collegeville Township (P-015035)
Chair BethyJo Juetten gave an overview of the CUP/IUP application and staff report.

Staff Recommendations
If this application is approved, staff recommends the following conditions:

1. The owner shall construct all proposed improvements according to plans, specifications, and guidelines submitted with the application, unless otherwise approved by the Environmental Services Department.
2. The applicant shall contact the Environmental Services Department within three days of construction completion so a post-construction inspection may be completed.

Feedlot Review Committee Discussion/Recommendations
Nathan Hylla questioned if there was a way to revise their current CUP and not have to pay the additional fee for a new CUP. He questioned if there was a way to save the land owners money.

Chair BethyJo Juetten explained that because the applicants are moving a proposed building to a new location and the dimensions are changing, they do have to apply for a new CUP. Chair Juetten will bring Nathan Hylla’s comments back to the Environmental Services Department.
Motion was made by Nathan Hylla, seconded by Emily Wilmes, to recommend to the Planning Commission to approve the application with staff’s conditions as outlined. Motion carried unanimously.

Other Discussion Items

1. February 2020 Workshop
   Chair BethyJo Juetten stated that there will be a workshop in February and more details will come at a later date. The first planning meeting will be held this Friday, December 20, 2019.

2. Reappointment
   Chair BethyJo Juetten stated that Dale Hegland had been reappointed for his third term on the Feedlot Review Committee.

Adjourn
With no further discussion, a motion was made by Dale Hegland, seconded by Jim Weller, to adjourn the meeting at 1:22 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.
FILE NUMBER: F-000672  PARCEL NUMBER: 14.08178.0000

APPLICANT: John and Kristie Schiffler

Feedlot Review Committee date: April 22, 2020

The following sections of the Stearns County Zoning Ordinance #439 apply to this application:
Section 6.7 Animal Feedlot Standards
Section 9.3 Agricultural District A-40

REASON and DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSAL:
Section 6.7.3 C requires Feedlot Review Committee (FRC) review for all expansions or modifications to animal feedlots within the A-40 zoning district proposing 500-699 animal units (AU).

The applicant(s) is requesting to construct the following:
- 24,100 sq. ft. permanent stockpile pad with 4 foot walls (#07).
- 386’x156’x11.5’ liquid manure storage area (LMSA) (#06).
- 170’x230’ slatted floor barn (#08) with a 10’x135’ under-barn LMSA (#11), 125’ of the LMSA is 4’ deep and 10’ is 8’ deep.
- An existing unpermitted 40’x114’ partial confinement barn with a 30’x114’ open lot will be permitted following an approved variance or animals will need to be removed (#12).

SITE INFORMATION:
Location/Access/zoning
The feedlot is located at 38088 225th Ave. Albany, MN 56307. This parcel is 110 acres zoned A-40, SW ¼ SW ¼ Section 34, Krain Township, T126N, R31W.

CONSISTENCY WITH THE STEARNS COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN:
The following portions of the Comprehensive Plan are related to this application:

LAND USE PLAN (Pg. 3-9)
Goal 1: Objective 1, Goal 2, Goal 5

NATURAL RESOURCES PLAN (Pg. 4-12)
Goal 3: Objective 2

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN (Pg. 7-25)
Goal 1: Objective 1, Objective 6, Goal 3: Objective 1
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### Total animal unit capacity

- **Animal type:**
  - Add all numbers in column 4 for Current AU total
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- This feedlot has remained registered with the county and state since January 24, 2000 and meets all state and county registration requirements. The feedlot is currently registered for:
  - 160 mature cows over 1,000 pounds
  - 50 heifers
  - 50 calves
  - 2 slaughter steer/heifer, stock cow, or bulls
    - Total of 271 animal units

- With approval of the proposed permit application and variance, the feedlot would be registered for:
  - 330 mature cows over 1,000 pounds
  - 100 mature cows under 1,000 pounds
  - 150 heifers
  - 100 calves
  - Total of 687 animal units

- The calf huts will be planned to be eliminated following construction of the new barn (#08).

- The surrounding properties are all zoned A-40.
A feedlot compliance inspection was completed March 24, 2020 deeming the site in compliance with MN Rule 7020 but non-compliant with Stearns County Land Use and Zoning Ordinance #439 due to an unpermitted cattle barn and lot.

The unpermitted barn and open lot (#12) are currently not meeting the 50’ property line setback and the 700’ residential setback. The barn and lot were constructed by the previous owners without a permit. The current owners plan to apply for a variance in May. A compliance agreement was drafted between the county and the applicants to enable the applications to move forward with construction of their new barn and manure storage areas (#06, #07, #08 and #11), prior to the variance hearing.

A manure management plan (MMP) has been received by the department and is currently being reviewed.

There are 30 residences and 7 existing feedlots located within 1 mile of this feedlot.

The nearest residence to the property is located approximately 439 feet to the north of the existing feedlot.

There are no Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW), Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) or State Disposal System (SDS) permits required.

The applicant will need to have a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) and maintain a copy onsite.

A conditional use permit (CUP) will not be needed.

There are no valid complaints on file for this feedlot facility.

**Attachments to this Staff Report:**
- 2018 aerial photograph map of the property showing the proposed feedlot structures
- 2018 aerial photograph map of setbacks from nearest neighboring residents
- 2018 aerial photograph map of features within 1 mile of the feedlot area
1. 32x80 barn
2. 34x72 barn
3. 86x156 barn
4. 50x144 barn
5. 50x80x4 permanent stockpile
6. 156x386x11.5 LMSA (proposed)
7. 24,000 sq ft permanent stockpile (proposed)
8. 170x230 barn (proposed)
9. 32x34 barn
10. 48x56 milkhouse/office (non-feedlot) (proposed)
11. 4x135 (10’ of it 8’ deep, the rest 4’) under barn pit (proposed)
12. 40x114 barn (unpermitted)
   30x114 open lot (unpermitted)
This map is made available on an "as is" basis, without express or implied warranty of any sort including, specifically, any implied warranties of fitness for a particular purpose, warranties of merchantability, or warranties relating to the accuracy or completeness of the database.
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2018 6-Inch Image

Residences within 1 mile of facilities (30)

Feedlots within 1 mile of facilities (7)

1 mile buffer from facilities

Sections

Parcels

1 inch = 1,500 feet

Date: 4/13/2020