Saline County Planning and Zoning

July 19th, 2016 Board Meeting Minutes

The Saline County Planning and Zoning Board met for their monthly meeting in the basement of Saline Center Lodge on July 19th at 7:00 P.M. Chairman Stehlik call the meeting to order with roll call. Members present were Stehlik, Barta, Wenz, Horak, Jansky, Havlat, Stokebrand, Miller, and Sack. Also present were commissioner Kohout, Commissioner Luedke, Deputy County Attorney Reisdorf, and Zoning Administrator Weber. Nicky Zalesky and members of Aksamit Energy Development were present as applicants. About 70 citizens were on hand as well.

The minutes were read with Barta making a motion to approve, Stokebrand 2nd. Motion passed.

Nicky Zalesky presented a minor sub-division application for Twila Papik dividing 2 acres off of land at NW ¼ of section 23-8-3E. Sack made motion to approve with Horak 2nd. All in favor motion passed.

Rick Blanford with Aksamit Energy Development presented their conditional use application to build a 74 MW wind farm with 37 wind turbines in Saline County. After presentation various opinions were voiced both pro and con. After discussion Barta made a motion to approve the application, Sack 2nd. Voting yes was Jansky, Havlat, Stokebrand, Miller, Sack, Wenz, Stehlik, and Barta. Horak Abstained. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned 8:46 P.M.

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August 16th, 2016 Board Meeting Minutes

The Saline County Planning and Zoning Board met for their monthly meeting in the Assembly Room of the Courthouse in Wilber on August 16th at 7:00 P.M. Vice-Chairman Horak called the meeting to order with roll call. Members present were Barta, Wenz, Horak, Jansky, Havlat, Stokebrand, and Miller. Also present were commissioner Kohout, Zoning Administrator Weber, Mike Matheson from Aksamit Energy Development, Mark Gaschler of the Wilber Republican, landowners Ernie Kucera and Deb Spanyers.

The minutes were read with Miller making a motion to approve, Jansky 2nd. Motion passed.

Weber presented a minor sub-division for Richard Kuzelka to sub divide 4 acres of his land at part of E1/2 NE ¼ 18-5-4. Stokebrand made motion to pass Barta 2nd. All present voted yes motion carried. Mike Matheson presented a conditional use permit application for Aksamit Energy Development to erect two MET towers. One at 18-7-2E the other at 13-6-2E. The board asked how long the towers would be up with Matheson stating probably about two years. Mark Gaschler asked how close the towers to any towns, with both towers about 7-9 miles from a town. Jansky then made a motion to accept the application, Miller 2nd. All present voted yes with Horak abstaining.

Kohout updated the board on the budget proceedings and the courthouse expansion stating that fall of 2017 is the targeted completion date.

Weber informed the board that it is time to update the comprehensive plan and county regulations and asked if the board wanted to do it this year or next. The Board decided to try and do it this year.

Meeting adjourned 7:46 P.M.

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