

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2010

**APPROVED MINUTES OF THE
COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WORK SESSION HELD**

**STATE OF MINNESOTA)
DODGE COUNTY)**

**COUNTY ADMINISTRATION OFFICE
MANTORVILLE, MN**

2010-09 Work Session

The Dodge County Commissioners met in a Work Session November 23, 2010, in the Commissioner's Room at the Courthouse Annex, Mantorville, MN, at 1:00 p.m. CST. Lyle Tjosaas opened the meeting at 1:09 p.m. CST.

Meeting Convened

The Chair acknowledged those present and established that there was a quorum:

Those Present

Members present: Klaus Alberts District #1
Lyle Tjosaas District #2
David Erickson District #3
Don Gray District #4
David Hanson District #5

Members absent: None

Also present: Jim Elmquist County Administrator
Mark Gamm Environmental Services Director
Melissa DeVetter Zoning Administrator

Environmental Services Director Mark Gamm provided for the Board's consideration a proposed Feedlot Administration Fee.

Proposed Feedlot
Administration Fee
Discussed

The County Board discussed a draft letter to Feedlot owners. The letter describes the reasons for the new Feedlot Administration Fee, provides instructions on how to pay the fee, and requests updated feedlot information. The Board suggested a few changes to the language in the letter and instructed staff to proceed with the distribution of the letter and invoice.

Mr. Gamm discussed with the Board dwellings in the Ag District.

Dwellings in the Ag
District Discussed

Staff proposed administrative methods that would remove the zoning distinction between "farm" and "non-farm" dwellings. The staff indicated that a density limit would need to be established. The Board indicated the desire to maintain the perceived right to build on 53 acres. The Board discussed options including setting density by quarter section, by section, or by parcel. The Board requested further illustration on how to set density by parcel. The Board was favorable to treating second farm dwellings and dwellings for special needs as an interim uses with sunset limits.

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 2:40 p.m. CST.

Meeting Adjourned

ATTEST:

LYLE TJOSAAS
CHAIR, COUNTY BOARD

JIM ELMQUIST
CLERK

DATED: