

## **Dawes County Zoning Board Meeting**

The Dawes County Zoning Board meeting was held on December 3, 2009 at 250 Main Street, Chadron NE. Chairman Jake Wasserburger called the meeting to order. Per LB898 the chairman announced the location of information concerning the Open Meeting Act. Roll was taken Present were: Jake Wasserburger, Dianne Johnson, Wayne Fisher, and John Dagen. Absent: Thorpe Thompson, Ed Perrine and Vic Rivera. Also present were Becky Paulsen: Zoning Admisinister, Cheryl Feist: County Clerk and Don Blausey: County Commissioner.

Guests present: Mark Stevens, Lisa Gould.

Dagen moved to approve minutes by consensus of the board, Fisher seconded. Roll call Vote Ayes: Wasserbuger, Fisher, Dagen and Johnson. Nays: none

### **OLD BUSINESS**

At our last meeting we approved a recommendation for wind tower regulations in Dawes County. Mark Stevens approached the board with questions on the setbacks for small personal towers and with the approved list of towers. Discussion followed with guy wire towers being discussed, liability insurance for towers close to buildings and power lines. Kevin Miller entered the meeting. Mr. Miller told us about some types of turbines and generators that the college students have been constructing. They are not on the approved list (American Wind Association List). It was generally felt that we do not want to discourage private or public designing or construction of the turbines and towers. Becky is going to research more and let us know about the issues. She is attending the NACO conference in Lincoln and will try and find out more information on the wind turbine issue.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Building Permits**

**#1** Randy Kane: Mr. Kane is constructing a metal building south of Crawford. Dagen moved to approve the permit, Johnson seconded. Roll call vote Ayes:Wasserbuger, Fisher, Dagen and Johnson. Nays: none Motion carried

**#2** Glen Price-Kennel. Becky told us about a kennel south of Chadron on some land that Mr. Price owns. It is run by a woman who takes in strays. Becky has visited with her and she has constructed better buildings and fences for the dogs. There has been some complaints from the neighbors, but no documentation. The kennel needs a conditional use permit. Becky asked that we table this permit for now.

**#3** Chris Nerud: This permit was obtained after the construction had begun. Becky could have shut the project down but she has no regulations to do this. She would like us to read the International Building code. She will obtain copies for us to read. Discussion was held on what type of buildings need a permit. Fisher moved to approve the permit, Johnson seconded. Ayes: Wasserbuger, Fisher, Dagen and Johnson. Nays: none. Motion carried.

**#4** John Densely: Fisher moved to approve the permit, Dagen seconded. Ayes: Wasserbuger, Fisher, Dagen and Johnson. Nays: None Motion carried.

Becky had other buildings that were being constructed, but they have existing facilities already constructed. This included Verizon Wireless.

**#5** Rick Stewart: A Meteorological tower is contracted north of Chadron and needs a conditional use permit. Johnson made a motion to approve the permit, Fisher seconded. Ayes: Wasserbuger, Fisher, Dagen and Johnson. Motion carried

Meeting adjourned at 8:15

Dianne Johnson  
Secretary