

*Bridgewater Township Planning Commission
County of Rice, State of Minnesota
February 27th, 2025
Official Minutes*

- 1) Call to order
- 2) Pledge of Allegiance
- 3) Roll Call: Bruce Morlan, Emily Fulton-Foley, Kurt Schrader, Ray Larson, Nate Watters, Mike Little, Ex-Officio Kathleen Kopseng, Cindy Nash, Lori Noreen
- 4) Approval of Agenda
 - a) Mike Little made a motion to approve the agenda, Ray Larson seconded, all approved.
- 5) Approval of Minutes: December 5th, 2024
 - a) Emily Fulton-Foley made a motion to approve the minutes of December 5th, 2024, Kurt Schrader seconded, all approved.
- 6) Open Forum: N/A
- 7) Public Hearing:
 - a) Rezoning of Property from Agricultural to Rural Residential
 - i) The Commissioners reviewed the Memorandum that Cindy Nash provided. It was noted that the Township must match the County Ordinance in which the County previously approved the rezoning of the parcel in October 2024.
 - ii) Bruce Morlan opened the Public Hearing at 7:04pm.
 - iii) Mark Thompson, owner of the parcels, provided additional information regarding the situation and his request to rezone the property from Agricultural to Rural Residential to the Commissioners.
 - iv) Glen Castore provided an update regarding the road (driveway), noting it will most likely will be declared a cartway.
 - v) The Public Hearing was closed at 7:25pm.
 - vi) Discussion was held regarding that the Township must comply with the County in which the County had already approved the parcels to be rezoned. Rezoning the parcels will make the Township in compliance.
 - vii) Kurt Schrader made a motion to recommend to the Board to approve Rezoning of Property from Agricultural to Rural Residential. Ray Larson seconded. All approved.
- 8) Updates and Miscellaneous
 - a) March Meeting – reschedule date
 - i) Discussion was had regarding rescheduling the March meeting date as the Zoning Administrator will not be in town. After discussion it was determined to leave the scheduled date as is. When it gets closer to the date a determination will be made at that time if it should be rescheduled, or possibly cancelled.

Adjourn