

**NININGER PLANNING COMMISSION  
PUBLIC HEARING AND  
571 REGULAR MEETING  
AUG 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2022.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Chairman John Bremer, Colleen Casalenda, Ted Wagner, Steve Boetcher.

**MEMBER ABSENT:** Gary Rotty

**TOWNSHIP BOARD MEMBER OBSERVING:** Bob Rotty, David Bauer, Karen Bremer

**TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY:** Michael Hamilton

Chairman John Bremer called the Public Hearing to order at 8:00PM. The pledge of allegiance was recited. Chairman Bremer read the notice of Public Hearing for Precision Landscaping Inc. Posted in the Hastings Journal on July 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022, to consider the application of Precision Companies for a conditional use permit involving the possible purchase/expansion of 35 acres from the Augustine Family Farms LLC, for its landscaping and nursery business and facility for the property located at 14923 Jacob and 150th Street East, Hastings, MN. 55033.

Chairman John Bremer opened floor with a statement: Members of the Nininger Town Board will not be participating in the Public Hearing and answering questions as Board Members.

Josh Fox and Joby Nolan of Precision Companies introduced themselves and stated the general services provided by Precision Landscaping as a full-service outdoor business.

Nininger Township Attorney: Michael Hamilton opened the floor with questions to Josh Fox and Joby Nolan of Precision Companies, based upon the expansion drawing included in the conditional use permit application.

1. Explain the Green Lines on drawing, whether the lines depict the area for additional trees; what is the L-shape building for and what will it contain? Size of the building? And whether the yellow lined area is for parking?
2. How big and how many stories will be in the new building?

These questions were answered by Precision Companies.

Some questions or concerns brought forward by Nininger residents surrounding Precision Landscaping Inc.

1. Residents want NO driveway access off 150<sup>th</sup> from Precision Landscaping.
2. Due to the Trucks hulling On Jacob Avenue is there going to be continued road maintenance on Jacob Avenue by Precision Landscaping Inc?
3. Is Precision Landscaping going to maintain a retail nursery business or expand to commercial business in the future?
4. What is the long-range Comprehensive Plan for Commercial businesses with in Nininger Township?
5. Will Precision follow the same original conditional use guidelines that it has in its current permit?

Precision Landscaping responded to Concerns.

1. No access driveways onto 150<sup>th</sup> from Precision Landscaping. Also, they plan on putting a line of trees along 150<sup>th</sup> to insulate the business from the street and as a sound barrier.

2. Precision presented a drawing of possible new expansion, and drawing had shown that there will be an outbuilding and an area for nursery trees/plants and parking.
3. Current Trucking fleet is at around 80 trucks and expansion of 30 to 40 vehicles, to possible 120-140 vehicles in 5 years.
4. New building will be 2 stories and 15,000 to 20,000 square feet, and will be used for operational use by office staff and hold warehouse supplies and equipment.

Chairman John Bremer brought forth-If expansion and conditional use permit is approved that Nininger Township would be considering that Precision Landscaping Inc. would have to blacktop and maintain the Road on Jacob from 150<sup>th</sup> Street to Hwy 55.

Chairman John Bremer called for any more questions?

None brought forth.

Chairman John Bremer called to Leave Public Hearing open so that the application of Precision Companies can be appropriately reviewed and considered in advance of a vote on the application. Planning Commission will meet for further discussion pertaining to Public Hearing scheduled for Aug 10<sup>th</sup> at 8:00PM.

#### **CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING: 8:25PM**

Chairman John Bremer called the Regular Meeting to order at 8:27PM.

Chairman John Bremer called for a review of the July minutes. Ted Wagner made the motion to accept the July 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022, minutes as written. Seconded by: Steve Boetcher. The Nininger Planning Commission Members Voted all: Ayes. Motion Carried.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Tony Werner- 15826 Frame Ave, Hastings, MN 55033- Was present at the Planning Commission to receive information on building a Garage on property. A building permit application was given to Tony Werner with information on next Planning Commission Meeting.

Bob Sieben of Augustine Family Farms LLC -was at the Planning Commission and brought forth information and that there was an inquiry, and that he was approached from a Company out of Houston, TX., wanting to purchase 20 acres from his farm for placement of shipping containers and batteries that will be charged up and used at the off-peak energy hours. Property in question is by the Excel electrical substation on the south side of Hwy 55.

#### **MICELLANEOUS ITEMS OF DISCUSSION/INFORMATION:**

- Next Township Board Meeting will be held on Aug 16<sup>th</sup>, 7:00PM.
- Date Change for Next Planning Commission Meeting will be held on Tuesday September 6<sup>th</sup> at 8:00PM, due to the Labor Day Holiday, authorized by Chairman John Bremer.

**ADJOURN:** Chairman John Bremer called for a motion adjournment of the Nininger Planning Commission Meeting at 8:45PM.

Steve Boetcher made a motion for adjournment, Seconded by: Ted Wagner  
The Planning Commission Voted: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted by:

Colleen Casalenda: Secretary/Nininger Planning Commission.



