

MINUTES
Blue Earth County Planning Commission
Workshop
Wednesday February 3, 2010
7:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

The Planning Commission Workshop was called to order by Lyle Femrite. Planning Commission members present were Bill Anderson, Kurt Anderson, Lyle Femrite, Don Gerrish, Chuck Grams, and Marjorie Johnson. Land Use and Natural Resources staff present was George Leary and Sara Isebrand.

NEW BUSINESS

Julie Conrad, Blue Earth County Water Planner and Al Kluver, Emergency Management Specialist presented a PowerPoint presentation and discussion to the County Planning Commission on the concerns and effects of stream bank erosion in areas of Blue Earth County. The discussion also included current and future mitigation efforts to reduce the cause and effect of this phenomenon.

Of interest to the Planning Commission was a discussion on how existing and future data could be used to update existing structure setbacks to water features. These increased setback requirements may help provide better public safety and may reduce some of the negative effects of development stream bank erosion.

Mr. Kluver also discussed with the Commission the impact this problem has on Emergency Management and the services provided.

Mankato Township was also represented at the workshop forum by Township Chair Dan Rotchadl and Clerk Dan Fogal.

No action was taken by the Planning Commission as this was for informational purposes only.