

CITY OF RUSHFORD VILLAGE (CRV)
PLANNING/ZONING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES FROM TUESDAY, March 17, 2026

The Tuesday, March 17, 2026 Planning and Zoning meeting was called to order at 5:32 pm by Planning and Zoning Administrator Jon Pettit in the CRV Office.

Members Present: Jon Pettit, Hamilton Petersen and Gordon Johnson

Absent: Glen Kopperud and Jesse McNamer

Citizens/Others Present: Jayme Longmire-CEDA, Dennis Overland-Mayor and Mary Miner-Clerk

Agenda Approved as presented:

Motion by Johnson, 2nd by Petersen. Carried.

Minutes from the January 20, 2025 Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting approved as presented

Motion by Johnson, 2nd by Petersen. Carried.

NEW PERMITS:

#1751-Jeremiah Smith-Kitchen & Bathroom Remodel-County Rd 27

#1752-Brett Mattson-New Deck & Pergola-State Highway 16

#1753-Brian Olson-Grain Bins-State Highway 16

#1754-Brian Olson-New Home-State Highway 16

PERMIT STATUS / PROJECTS IN PROCESS / INQUIRIES: Pettit reported

- He is waiting for Domanik Jenkins to provide more information regarding his permit application
- Farmer's Winn Coop is working with the MN DNR regarding their South Rushford site-Ron Cruise, General Manager
- He has received permit applications from Dan Sorum, Bob Kingsley and Blake Erickson which he will be working on
- He will be contacting Hedin to do the yearly walk through for the Peterson Farm Interim Use permit

OTHER ISSUES/CONCERNS:

• **Zoning Fee Rates:**

- Johnson and Petersen provided suggestions for revising the zoning fees. See attached Exhibit A-zoning fees sheet
- Time goes into each permit and that costs CRV money
- Decide if there should be no cost permits-storm damage is usually covered by insurance and should have a permit fee which should be covered by the insurance company. Some Cities do not charge for storm damage repairs

• **Data Centers:**

- Kopperud asked this be placed on the agenda to discuss. Johnson and Petersen both agreed there has been a lot of talk about data centers in the media. If/when one is proposed for CRV it will be need to be addressed at that time

• **Jayme Longmire-CEDA:**

- She was asked by Overland to look at revising the CRV Subdivision Ordinance pertaining to lot sizes. Longmire reached out to O'Koren. O'Koren told Longmire any changes to the subdivision ordinance would be a lot of work, he would basically scrap the current ordinance and start over and then zoning and land use would have to be amended. All would require a public hearing. Longmire stated O'Koren told her what CRV has now is fine and matches what most other cities are doing
- Longmire stated the big developers are about the only ones developing right now because of costs and that is probably not what CRV would be looking for. Pettit stated through the CRV Comp Plan we need to preserve the farm land
- Johnson suggested part of the CEDA salary should be charged to Planning and Zoning seeing she is attending their meetings and doing things related to zoning

OTHER UPDATES/ MEETINGS:

- Overland informed the Board of a meeting to be held at MiEnergy on April 22nd from 6-8 pm. It is being put on by the Rushford EDA. Rushford, Rushford Village and Peterson are invited to attend. The speaker will be Ben Winchester from University of Minnesota and the topic will be related to housing in rural areas
- March 24-27, Tuesday thru Friday-Miner at Clerks Conference-Brooklyn Center
- April 8, Wednesday-8:00 am to 3:30 pm-Safety Loss Control Workshop-Rochester-Miner

Next Zoning Board Meeting: April 21, 2026, 5:30 pm at CRV Office

Next Council Meetings: April 7, 2026 and April 21, 2026 at 7:00 pm at CRV Office

Motion to Adjourn made by Johnson 2nd by Peterson at 6:53 pm

Recorder: Mary Miner