



Planning on the Prairie: Best Practices

The planning department was pleased to accept the Rural Innovation Award at the Western Planner Conference in Laramie, Wyoming on August 20, 2015. This conference brings together the collective western states to develop networks, share best practices, and gain knowledge from fellow professionals. The award was presented for the planning process utilized in development of the Envision 2035 Comprehensive Plan. Follow this link to read more about this:



<http://westernplanner.org/2015/08/28/2015-western-planner-award-winners/>

The planning department was given the opportunity to share some comprehensive planning tips, suggestions, and best practices at the South Dakota Planners Association Conference in Mitchell, SD on October 28, 2015 to a wide variety of planners, public officials, engineers, consultants, and public citizens.

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Minnehaha County seeks applications for one appointment to the Minnehaha County planning commission

Applications can be obtained on the county website at www.minnehahacounty.org and will be accepted until December 15, 2015. Interested citizens are encouraged to apply.

Please contact the planning office at 367-4204 if you have any questions regarding the application for appointment.

What's Happening in Minnehaha County?

UPCOMING MEETINGS & IMPORTANT DEADLINES

Planning Commission

| <u>MEETING</u> | <u>DEADLINE</u> |
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| No December meeting | |
| Jan. 25 | (Dec. 31) |
| Feb. 22 | (Jan. 29) |
| Mar. 28 | (Mar. 4) |

2016 MINNEHAHA COUNTY PLANNING CALENDAR



Holiday

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| PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING | APPLICATION DEADLINE | COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING | JOINT COUNTY COMMISSION CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS |
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Building Permit Report: January - November 2015

Construction season has arrived, and building permits are being issued far faster than last year's pace. With just one month remaining in the year, 572 building permits have been issued totaling \$42,921,990 in construction value; this is a difference of 174 building permits and \$12,716,030 from this time last year.

January - November

| 2015 | | 2014 | |
|--|--------------------|--|--------------------|
| Permits Issued | Construction Value | Permits Issued | Construction Value |
| 572 | \$42,921.99 | 398 | \$30,205.96 |
| (thousands\$) | | (thousands\$) | |
| Residential | | Residential | |
| New (39) | \$10,555.2 | New (28) | \$7,024.5 |
| Adds, remodel, acc., replacement (413) | \$16,767.2 | Adds, remodel, acc., replacement (268) | \$12,067.0 |
| Commercial /Industrial (53) | \$8,840.7 | Commercial /Industrial (54) | \$7,282.7 |
| Agricultural (67) | \$6,758.8 | Agricultural (48) | \$3,831.7 |
| Total | \$42,921.9 | Total | \$30,205.9 |
| New dwellings | 39 | New dwellings | 28 |
| Mobile homes | 0 | Mobile homes | 0 |
| Total | 39 | Total | 28 |

Fall 2015 Professional Planning Conference Updates

Western Planner and South Dakota Planners Association

The 2015 Western Planner Conference was held in Laramie, Wyoming from August 18-21. This conference coincides as a regional opportunity for planning and development professionals, commissioners, and public citizens to learn from colleagues as well as gain new insight into the community development profession. The conference was well attended by a wide variety of professionals. I had the opportunity to attend a few of the sessions, learn from colleagues, and as we have already mentioned accepting an award. I learned about some of the insights into the management of a small community planning department and gained valuable knowledge on the



work as a new planner in the office. This information is helpful in training the next generation of planning professionals.

The 2015 South Dakota Planners Association Conference was held in Mitchell, SD from October 28-29. This conference is a critical time for public officials, consultants, engineers, designers, and public citizens to learn about current and emerging trends in SD. The theme this year was best practices in community vitality, which encompassed topics ranging from joint jurisdictional solutions and procedural planning issues to comprehensive planning best management strategies for public engagement. The main focus of the one-and-a-half day conference was ensuring that proper procedures are followed when accepting planning applications and reviewing materials. At the end of the day, we received a briefing on the National Disaster Recovery Framework and an overview from the SDPA President on the most recent Supreme Court ruling regarding temporary signs. The 2016 conference will be held in Sioux Falls. Stay tuned for details!

Planning Commissioners

Doug Ode

Brandon Area
2015-2019

Becky Randall

Dell Rapids Area
2013-2017

Bonnie Duffy

Split Rock Area
2012-2016

Mike Cypher

Wall Lake Area
2013-2017

Bill Even

Humboldt Area
2014-2017

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2015

1 Vacancy

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Submit newsletter photos, news, stories,
or events to David Heinold by April 30!
More news to come!