

CASTLE ROCK TOWNSHIP  
PLANNING COMMISSION SPECIAL HEARING  
OCTOBER 25, 2004

The Planning Commission of Castle Rock Township held a special hearing October 25, 2004 at 7:30 p.m. at the Town Hall. Present were Jim Heiman Chair, Dave Kammueler and Bob Dubbels Planning Commission members, and Maralee Rother Secretary. Also present were Paul Burkel, Tim Carey, and Mike Bussian.

Chair Jim Heiman called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

The purpose of this special hearing was to review the request of the Dakota County Fairgrounds, P.O. 73, 220<sup>th</sup> Street West, Farmington MN, 55024, for a conditional use permit to use the infield of the grandstand area to store 50 boats within a fenced privacy screen. There will be no work activity, storage only.

Paul Burkel, fairgrounds manager, stated he has an opportunity to store boats for Dakota Marine and Motor Sports. Mark Ellering, owner of the business would be storing the boats. The boats would be there from now until the first of June.

Neighbors Tim Carey and Mike Bussian expressed concern of having the boats stored that close to their backyards and the possibility of vandalism and possible fire. Also, the fence is six feet high, and would not be high enough to hide the boats – there are some there now and they are quite large.

This area is zoned agricultural and outdoor storage is not allowed in the agricultural zoning district. A memo was read from Inspectron, Inc. advising special procedures regarding the conditional use permit.

**Dave Kammueler made a motion and Bob Dubbels seconded that the Planning Commission recommend to deny the application for a conditional use permit for outside storage of boats because it is not a permitted use in agricultural zoned areas, and if allowing the request thru special permit or ordinance change, it would create a situation that could not be controlled. Motion carried 4 ayes.**

**Bob Dubbels made a motion and Maralee Rother seconded to adjourn. Motion carried 4 ayes.**

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Maralee Rother Secretary