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Board of County Commissioners Agenda Request



Requested Meeting Date: March 11, 2025

Title of Item: Public Hearing for Proposed Feedlot

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🖌 REGULAR AGENDA	Action Requested:	Direction Requested		
CONSENT AGENDA	Approve/Deny Motion	Discussion Item		
	Adopt Resolution (attach draft) Hold Public Hearing*			
Submitted by: Department:				
Andrew Carlstrom		Planning & Zoning		
Presenter (Name and Title): Andrew Carlstrom, Environmental Services Director		Estimated Time Needed: 10 minutes		
Summary of Issue:				
Aitkin County has not accepted delegation of the Minnesota feedlot permit program, and in accordance with MN Statute 116.07 Subd.7(m) is required to hold a public hearing on feedlot proposals of 300 or more animal units.				
Please see attached memorandum, maps, and proposed resolution				
Alternatives, Options, Effects on Others/Comments:				
N/A				
Recommended Action/Motion:				
Discussion Only - Hold Public Hearing	J			
Financial Impact: Is there a cost associated with this	s request?	No		
What is the total cost, with tax and shipping? \$				
Is this budgeted? Yes No Please Explain:				
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Aitkin County Environmental Services Planning and Zoning 307 Second Street NW Room 219 Aitkin, MN 56431 Phone: 218-927-7342 Fax: 218-927-4372

MEMORANDUM TO AITKIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

DATE: February 25, 2025

FROM: Andrew Carlstrom, Environmental Services Director - Planning & Zoning Administrator

RE: Future proposed feedlot of greater than 300 animal units

Currently, Aitkin County does not regulate nor has accepted delegation of the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency's feedlot permit program. Mr. Ken Sizemore, who owns and operates Angie's Meats, is proposing to construct a feedlot at 28096 480th Street, Palisade, MN 56469. The feedlot is proposed to be greater than 300 animal units, but less than 500 in size.

According to MN Statute 116.07 Subd.7 (m.) it says:

"After January 1, 2001, a county that has not accepted delegation of the feedlot permit program must hold a public meeting prior to the agency (MPCA) issuing a feedlot permit for a feedlot facility with 300 or more animal units, unless another public meeting has been held with regard to the feedlot facility to be permitted."

Aitkin County does not require feedlots in "Open" zoning to apply for a conditional use permit. If approved by the Aitkin County Board, the applicant will work with a representative from the MPCA Feedlot Program throughout the permitting process, as well as to ensure the health and safety of the environment for the proposed project.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 218-927-7342 or by email at andrew.carlstrom@co.aitkin.mn.us.

CERTIFIED COPY OF RESOLUTION OF COUNTY BOARD OF AITKIN COUNTY, MINNESOTA PROPOSED March 11, 2025

By Commissioner: xxx

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Aitkin County's Support for 300 or more Animal Unit Feedlot

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statute 116.07 Subd.7(m) requires counties that have not accepted delegation of the feedlot permit program, to hold a meeting prior to the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) issuing a feedlot permit for a feedlot facility with 300 or more animal units; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ken Sizemore from Angie's Acres is proposing the creation of the above said feedlot at 28096 480th Street, Palisade, MN 56469; and

WHEREAS, the proposal meets the intent of encouraging a strong agricultural base which is in accordance with Aitkin County's Land Use Management Plan;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Aitkin County Board of Commissioners does hereby support this proposal and the creation of a 300 or more animal unit feedlot at the above address.

Commissioner xxx seconded the adoption of the resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote

XXX MEMBERS PRESENT

All Members Voting xxx

STATE OF MINNESOTA} COUNTY OF AITKIN}

I, Jessica Seibert, County Administrator, Aitkin County, Minnesota do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing with the original resolution filed in the Administration Office of Aitkin County in Aitkin, Minnesota as stated in the minutes of the proceedings of said Board on the <u>11th day</u> of <u>March 2025</u>, and that the same is a true and correct copy of the whole thereof.

Witness my hand and seal this 11th day of March 2025

Jessica Seibert County Administrator



