

Planning Commission Meeting
July 17, 2012

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Dwight Freeman called the meeting to order at 1:30pm; other members present are Grover Hathorn, Pam Bricker, Vernon McCallister and Rose Vanderpool, Secretary.

Members absent: Leonard Brown and Mike Mitchell.

II. Acceptance of Agenda and the May 15th, Minutes as submitted: Mr. Vernon McCallister moves to approve the agenda and Minutes; Mr. Grover Hathorn seconds motion; motion carried unanimously.

III. NEW BUSINESS: Conditional Use submitted by Center Conservation District and Rio Grande Conservation District for approval to construct an office building on the NE corner of the property located on Hwy 285 and CR 10N. The building will be approximately 5900 sf and will be used to house the USDA Service Center Agencies. This will be an agriculture based complex and is a compatible use with the existing uses of agricultural farms, warehouses and storages.

Chairman Freeman opened floor for discussion; Brenda Anderson stated that the Center Office has been very proactive in keeping their office from closing and have come up with a central district office that will house other entities. (Monte Vista, FSA and Rio Grande Conservation District) The access to the complex will be from the 10N. The Center Conservation District purchased the entire circle and has no plans/need to divide. The circle will be used to farm as it is now, but the District will focus on ways to deter the use chemicals and compile data/research that will be used to benefit other farmers. The complex will have about 17 employees and 5 (approx.) producers in a day. There are two wells on the parcel, which are documented with the State Engineers Office. A new engineered septic system will be installed.

The only recommendation from the Land Use is that the entrance to the complex be one hundred fifty feet (150') to the west from HWY 285. The attached map depicts that maybe the entrance, as shown, is about fifty (50').

Chairman Dwight Freeman entertains a motion; Vern McCallister recommends to approve with the provision that the entrance to the complex be one hundred fifty feet (150') from Hwy 285; Pam Bricker seconds motion; motion carried with 3 ayes and 0 nays and 2 absent.

IV. Old Business:

V. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned

Secretary

Chairman