



County Planning Commission seeks to fill vacant unexpired term

The Minnehaha County Planning Department is looking to fill the *vacant, unexpired term* on the Planning Commission. Civic-minded individuals are welcome to apply for this vacant volunteer position. The Planning Commission meets every fourth Monday at 7:00 pm.

Application forms can be obtained by calling the Minnehaha County Commission Office at 605-367-4206 or by visiting the Planning and Zoning Department section on Minnehaha County's website.

Completed applications should be returned to the Minnehaha County Commission Office, 415 N. Dakota Avenue, Sioux Falls, South Dakota 57104 or e-mailed to mstorley@minnehahacounty.org with the subject header – Planning Commission Application.

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Staff Announcements

With the new year, the Minnehaha County Planning Department welcomes Adam Mohrhauser to County Planning Commission! We appreciate the County Commissioners nomination among interested County residents to serve in this important role! Adam provided us some tidbits about himself that we want to share with all of you.

1. What is your favorite place in Minnehaha County?

I don't know if I have favorite place in the county, but I do like all the towns and what each one has to offer. I like to just drive around the county and see the changing countryside.

2. What are some of you hobbies/interests?

I like to go bike riding on the bike trails in Sioux Falls. My wife and I along with her 2 sisters and their husbands like to do this every week when it's nice out. Also, in the summer I play softball and volleyball in various leagues. The winter our family enjoys skiing at Great Bear and ice skating at the Iceplex.

3. What is your vision for Minnehaha County in 40 years?

I'm sure the future of Minnehaha county over the next 40 years is sure to have a lot of commercial and agricultural growth. With the industrial park north of Sioux Falls that'll bring in a lot of companies and the expansion of more commercial areas. It will be a challenge to mesh agriculture, commercial areas, and acreages to meet all setbacks.

UPCOMING MEETINGS & IMPORTANT DEADLINES

Planning Commission

<u>MEETING</u>	<u>DEADLINE</u>
June 25	(Jun. 1)
July 23	(Jun. 29)
Aug. 27	(Jul. 27)
Sept. 24	(Aug. 31)
Oct. 22	(Sept. 28)
Nov. 26	(Oct. 26)
No December Meeting	

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Planning & Zoning Survey Available!

The Minnehaha County Planning Department has developed a customer satisfaction survey for the general public to fill out at your leisure. The survey can be found at the following link:

<http://www.minnehahacounty.org/dept/pl/customerSurvey/MCPZCustomerSatisfactionSurvey.pdf>

The purpose of the survey is to know how the County Planning Department is serving your needs and creating opportunities for citizens to be involved in the day-to-day administration of local government. The survey should only take you 2-3 minutes to complete and will be vitally important to the success of the County Planning Department in our current and future endeavors.

Staff Announcements

The Minnehaha County Planning Department welcomes Morris Forsting to assist with code enforcement efforts and other planning projects in the rural area. He has provided some details about himself to share with you below:

1. What is your favorite place in Minnehaha County?

I can't pinpoint a specific site, but I have always been amazed by the Big Sioux River area. In particular, the amount of quartzite, the aquifer, the flow of the river and how it even turns north to exit Sioux Falls. The scenery along the banks is so enticing as it relates to natural scenic surroundings and its geologic formations.

2. What are some of your hobbies/interests?

I enjoy golfing (some days better than others) as a hobby and sport. I also like volunteering in the community to help others out that are in need. I was raised on a farm by Aberdeen, SD (Brown Co.) and have always had an interest in agricultural practices and in particular land/earth and wildlife conservation.

3. What is your vision for Minnehaha County in 40 years?

Interesting question, now that I've been a resident in Minnehaha County for 40 years, and seen a lot of change. My vision would be to see controlled urban growth of Sioux Falls towards surrounding towns. By this we would still have a great relationship/balance with surrounding agricultural communities and great road, utility and public service infrastructure. This will include nature area/aesthetic progress along with enhanced public/private partnerships which will make Minnehaha one of the best Counties to live in or visit. When you think of us as a Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA), we will think of it as a safe and informative place to live, work, play and dream.

Building Activity Report (Second Quarter 2018)

Building Activity Minnehaha County Unincorporated Area

January-May

2018		2017	
Permits Issued	Construction Value	Permits Issued	Construction Value
315	\$15,288,600.00	216	\$13,461,365.00
(thousands \$)		(thousands \$)	
Residential		Residential	
New (13)	\$4,114.9	New (12)	\$3,794.3
Adds, remodel, acc., replacement (246)	\$7,576.7	Adds, remodel, acc., replacement (175)	\$6,857.5
Commercial / Industrial (20)	\$1,857.5	Commercial / Industrial (14)	\$846.4
Agricultural (33)	\$1,739.5	Agricultural (15)	\$1,963.1
Total	\$15,288.6	Total	\$13,461.3
New dwellings		New dwellings	
Mobile homes	0	Mobile homes	0
Total	13	Total	12

() denotes number of permits YTD

RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION, 2005-2017

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Single-family units	76	53	37	34	26	25	28	48	30	39	54	36	13
Single-family (moved on)	4	1	2	1		0	1		2		2		
Manufactured homes		1	1		1	0		1	0		1	1	
Mobile homes	2		1			0							
Replacement units	16	15	29	15	12	21	14	22	18	22	15	19	7
Total	98	70	70	50	39	46	43	71	50	61	72	56	20

* to date

Net increase 2006-2017 (excluding replacement units) = 414 housing units
 Annual average = 31.85 housing units

Source: Minnehaha County Planning Department

Commissioners

Bonnie Duffy, Chair
2017-2021

Doug Ode
2015-2019

**Becky Randall,
Vice Chair**
2018-2022

**Vacant unexpired
term**
2016-2020

Jeff Barth
County Commission
Representative - 2018

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2018-2022

Mike Ralston
2017-2021

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**Submit photos, news, stories, or events to us
by September 29, 2018. More news to come!**