Chairman Willingham called the meeting of the Rusk County Zoning Committee to order at 2:15 p.m. in the Law Enforcement Center at the Rusk County Courthouse. Members present were Dave Willingham, Kathy Mai, Tom Costello, Phil Schneider and John Stencil. Staff present: CeCe Tesky and Monica Kenealy.

Costello/Mai motion to approve the minutes of the April 7th meeting and Public Hearing. Carried. The next meeting will be on June 2, 2010 at 2:00 P.M.

**BILLS**

Schneider/Costello motion to approve bills. Carried.

Willingham asked if there was any public comment. Gerald Johnston asked if Zoning was going forward in the dialog with FEMA and the floodplain maps. He owns property in the floodplain and had to purchase insurance through Lloyds of London. He has to pay $3,200 annually and doesn’t want to have to do it for too many years. Wells Fargo is his lender and helped him get an underwriter; Johnson Insurance in Eau Claire.

**CSM’s**

2 lot land division for Melvin Thomas in the Town of Rusk. Tesky stated that it meets all standard lot size requirements and has been reviewed by the County Surveyor. Costello/Stencil motion to approve the CSM. Carried.

**DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

1. Review conditional use permit activities for Nitek bar and campground and clarification by committee on the definition of the condition “Outdoor musical productions is prohibited”. Tesky stated that Nitek’s are unable to be at the meeting today, but she talked to Jackie and she said there are no changes. The Zoning office asked the Sherriff’s Department if there have been any complaints at Jimmy’s World and they said none since the beginning of January. Discussion followed. It was decided by the committee to leave permit conditions as they are; “outdoor musical productions are prohibited” and suggested that if there are any complaints that the Sherriff’s Department should be contacted.

2. Consider holding tank variance request for a seasonal use property located at W14008 Landing Road, Town of Big Bend. Tesky said that the Zoning Committee has the ability to grant a waiver request being made by the property owner. Tesky read the request for Ron German at W14008 Landing Road. They want to use a holding tank for seasonal use only. Costello/Schneider motion to approve the variance request with the condition that they convert to a mound if the property is used as a permanent residence. Carried.

3. Consider resolution to halt implementation of DFIRM maps in Rusk County. Tesky handed out the resolution to the committee. Tesky said Randy Tatur wanted to use it for other counties. Discussion concerning what the resolution should say. (to be continued below)

Closed regular meeting at 3:03 P.M. for Public Hearing. (See separate minutes)
NOT COMMITTEE APPROVED

Reconvene meeting at 3:12 P.M.

Tesky handed out the staff recommendations. Discussion followed concerning location of holding pens, coolers and retail facilities. Discussion about whether or not smoke from smokehouse would be a nuisance for the neighboring property owners. Shotliff indicated that the smoke will mostly stay inside the building so it shouldn’t be a nuisance. Costello/Stencil motion to approve the conditional use request to allow a slaughterhouse in the Town of Grant with the following conditions:

1. Permit is based on application submitted at time of approval.
2. Sanitary permits must be obtained for the proper disposal of wastewater.
3. All animals being held onsite shall be housed inside an enclosed building.
4. All animal inedible products shall be stored inside.
5. Proper fly, vermin and odor control shall be maintained.
6. Manure must be removed from the property in a timely manner.
7. Dust and smoke shall be controlled as to prevent a public nuisance.
8. All required federal and state approvals or licenses must be obtained.
9. A service contract made with a farmer for pumping and hauling the holding tank waste that is solely for animal waste must be on file.
10. An approval letter from the City of Ladysmith that the Waste Water Treatment Plant will accept the kill floor waste must be on file.
11. This permit shall be null and void if substantial progress has not been made on the project within 2 years of the date of approval or if the property transfers owners before completion of the project.

Motion Carried.

3. (Continued) Tesky said that if they put the language specific to Rusk County it won’t be appropriate for other counties to use. Costello suggested they make two resolutions; one with specifics to Rusk County and the other one not. Costello/Schneider motion to approve the resolution titled “Request for suspension of implementation of DFIRM maps created by FEMA” and put it on the County Board agenda. Carried.

4. Discuss benefits of LiDAR for establishing countywide 2’ contours. Tesky handed out some slides on LiDAR. She said that one estimate for a fall fly would be $245,000 which includes 6’ pixel orthophotography for the whole county. LiDAR is a one time project. She suggested that someone could do a presentation to the county board to explain it. Willingham wants to get a resolution on the agenda. Tesky is to talk to Randy Tatur regarding either a motion or a resolution.

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT ON MONTHLY ACTIVITIES

-Permits are up from last year at this time.
-Complaints are also up; mostly campers within shoreland areas.
-Zoning is sending out 1200 septic pumping notices in May

Stencil/Costello motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:18 P.M.

Monica S. Kenealy
Secretary/Bookkeeper