Fillmore County Planning Commission Minutes of Meeting
October 19, 2026

The Fillmore County Planning Commission convened, as required by statute, in open and public session at 8:00 p.m. October 19, 2026, at Fillmore County East Office- Boardroom, Geneva, NE, 68361.

Members present: Elznic, Girmus, Hafer, Harre, Noel, Stuckey, Williams,
Absent:
Also, present: Planning and Zoning Administrator- Shaundee Graham.

Notice of the meeting was given by published notice. All proceedings hereinafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the public. Secretary Sharon Elznic was present to record minutes. Chairman Harre noted that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available in the meeting room for public inspection and that the public was informed of its location.

Motion to approve agenda for October 19, 2026, made by Williams, second by Girmus
Upon Roll call, vote is as follows:
Ayes: Elznic,Girmus, Hafer, Harre, Noel, Stuckey,Williams
Nays: None
Chairman declared motion passed 7-0

Motion to approve minutes from September 21, 2026, meeting made by Girmus, seconded by Hafer
Upon roll call, vote is as follows:
Ayes: Elznic,Girmus, Hafer, Harre, Noel, Stuckey, Williams
Nays: None
Chairman declared motion passed 7-0

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman Harre opened the public comment portion of the meeting and reminded those in attendance that the discussion regarding proposed solar regulations updates was not a public hearing. Public comments were received for the Commission's consideration. Representatives of Smith Pauley Attorneys addressed the Planning Commission regarding previously submitted correspondence pertaining to the proposed Commercial Solar Energy Regulations. A petition containing 704 signatures requesting a ban on commercial solar energy facilities in Fillmore County was acknowledged. The petition was submitted to the County Clerk for forwarding to the Planning and Zoning Administrator for inclusion in the public record.

The following individuals were present regarding the proposed solar regulation updates.
Mary & Bill Burgess, Alex Shaner, Dan & Penny Aspegren, Carol Rosenquist, Chad Engle, Frank Richards, Kim & Gerald Slezak, Ralph Graham, Larry Cerny, Jeff Neiman, Ronnie Wilson, Mitch Hedden, Joe Hoarty, Doni Harris, Devon Pishalski. Daniel Pauley, Daniel McMahon.

Discussion

The planning Commission reviewed the proposed amended plat of Central Addition, Milligan, NE. The amendment involves modifications to the existing lot sizes and boundaries. The proposed changes were discussed, and the Commission reviewed the amended plat as presented.

A motion was made by Noel and seconded by Williams to approve the amended subdivision plat as presented.
Ayes: Elznic, Girmus, Hafer, Harre, Noel, Stuckey, Williams
Motion Carried

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Continued Discussion

The Planning Commission continued discussions regarding the proposed revisions to the solar regulations. The Commission reviewed updates and responses provided by Renewable Energy Attorney John Snow addressing questions and concerns raised at the previous meeting. Further discussion was held regarding proposed setback requirements and decommissioning provisions. The Planning Commission recommended additional revisions and the proposed changes be forwarded to Mr. Snow for further review and guidance.

Noel moved to adjourn the meeting, and Stuckey second at 10:15PM. Next meeting is scheduled for November 16th, 2026, at 8:00PM.