

MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION  
 VILLAGE OF LAKE ELMO  
 LAKE ELMO, MINNESOTA 55082

Meeting of Monday, November 23, 1970.

Meeting opened at 7:35 p.m. by Chairman, Wm. Lundquist.

Members present: W. Lundquist, J. Evert, D. Boorman, B. Folz, E. Tomljanovich,  
 and T. Torseth.

absent: M. Eder and L. Kirvida

Motion by E. Tomljanovich, seconded by B. Folz that the minutes of November 10, 1970 meeting be approved as written. Carried -- 6 aye.

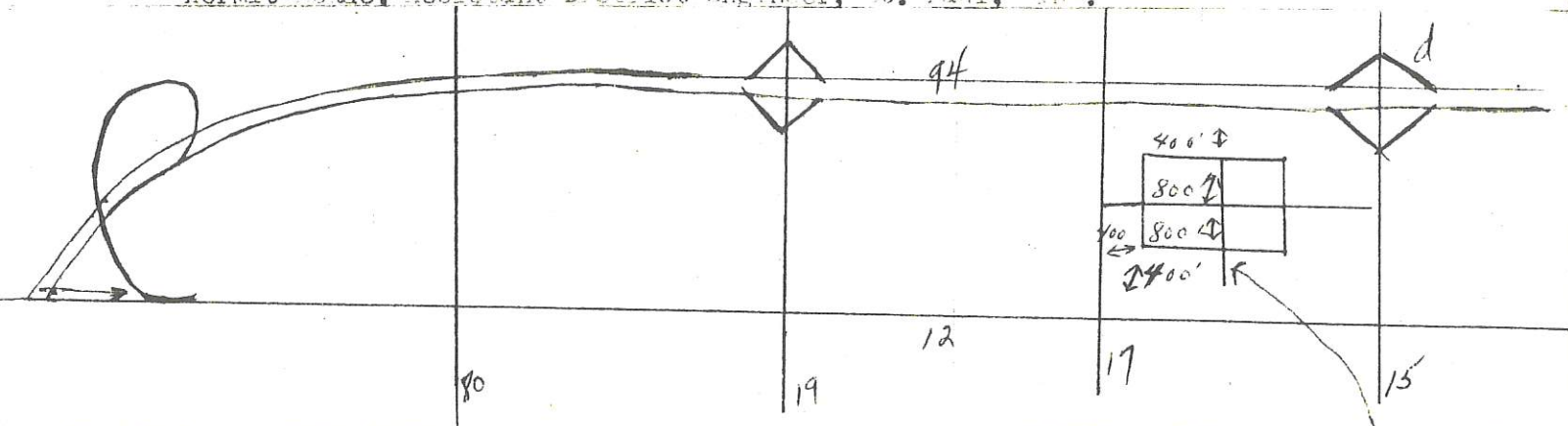
Motion by J. Evert, seconded by B. Folz to have the secretary prepare letters re: "Reciprocal state factory inspection of industrial housing", to be sent to Howard Albertson and Robert Brown, with copies to Village Council and Joseph Karth. See attached copy of letter.

Carried -- 6 aye

Meeting with State Highway Department, County and Village Officials.

Those attending:

- Joe Anderlik, Engineer (Bonestroo)
- Chuck Swanson, Washington County Engineer
- Bill Schwab, County Planning Coordinator
- Donald Raleigh, Village Attorney
- Bob Watson, Councilman
- Lloyd Shervheim, Councilman
- Kelly Brookman, Mayor
- Bruce Abercrombie, Councilman
- Wm. Merritt, District Engineer, St. Paul, Minn.
- Kermit McRae, Assistant District Engineer, St. Paul, Minn.



- Bridge structure access contracts have been "let"
  - Bridge superstructure contracts to be let in Feb. 1971.
  - Bridge to be completed in 1973
  - 94 contract to be "let" in 1973, would require 2½ construction years for completion.
- Highway department currently acquiring right of way for 94.
- 694 and Minnehaha-- full interchange being discussed.
  - U. S. Highway 12 will probably be "turned over " to County when 94 is completed.

Motion by J. Evert, second by B. Polz-- Recommend that Village Council request Village Engineer to develop road and/or highway plans for the area within sections 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, further described as the area within, West boundary of Highway 694, East boundary, County highway 15, South boundary, U.S. highway 12 and Minnehaha on the North.

Carried -- 6 aye.

Motion by E. Tomljanovich, second by T. Borseth to adjourn meeting at 10 p.m.

Carried -- 6 aye.

Respectfully submitted

David Boorman

MAYOR  
CALVIN BROOKMAN  
COUNCILMEN  
ROBERT WATSON  
ROBERT B. ABERCROMBIE  
LLOYD SHERVHEIM  
LEHART FRIEDRICH  
CLERK  
DONALD MEHSIKOMER  
TREASURER  
WILLIAM PARK

## Village of Lake Elmo

Washington County  
Lake Elmo, Minnesota

55042

November 25, 1970

Lake Elmo Planning Advisory Commission  
Lake Elmo, Minnesota

The Honorable Howard Albertson  
State Representative  
8th District, Washington County  
510 West Olive Street  
Stillwater, Minnesota 55082

Dear Representative Albertson:

We of lake Elmo have recently been confronted with an increasing array of requests to place industrialized housing structures in our Village. Based on a number of independent facts, it appears that such housing is going to in the near future play a majority role in sheltering our population. As such we must be prepared to accept it, and one major concern regards whether these homes meet reasonable standards of building quality.

In most instances industrialized homes are pre-assembled to a degree prohibiting ready on-site inspection. One alternative is partial disassembly which is expensive and could largely negate advantages of such construction philosophies. Another is to trust that the manufacturer, when he claims to have met a national code, has indeed done so in both letter and spirit. Although most responsible manufacturers are of high integrity, self-regulation of this manner does seem inadequate, especially in view of the rapid growth in the business.

We of the Planning Advisory Commission would like to suggest to you, as our State Representative, and as a man who has shown interest in mobile home problems, yet another alternative. This is reciprocal state inspection at the housing factory. Ten states have already incorporated factory inspection, and this could be done to a national performance oriented code, such as the uniform Building Code. Reciprocity would be a minor additional problem in this case.

It seems a virtual certainty that industrialized housing is rapidly approaching, and in fact will soon be a highly significant method of shelter development in the future. We feel it is our obligation at the local level, as well as that of our State officials, to provide the mechanisms permitting such structures, consistent with accepted quality standards as incorporated in our building codes.

Thank you for consideration of this request.

Very truly yours,

*William Lundquist*  
William Lundquist, Chairman  
Lake Elmo Planning Commission

cc: Village Council  
Joseph Karth