

## Planning & Zoning News

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### Looking Forward, Planning Ahead

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#### NEW FEES FOR REGISTER OF DEEDS

New fees will be implemented in the Register of Deeds office which will impact residents involved with the Planning Department. Effective July 1st recording rates for plats and miscellaneous deeds (right-to-farm-notice covenants) will increase to a flat fee for up to 50 pages.

Plats \$60.00  
Right-to-Farm Notice \$30.00



#### GIS DIVISION

By Darin VanDeBerg

The Minnehaha County GIS Division has been busy with numerous GIS projects. Currently, the parcel database is being re-digitized by updating the survey plat lines to better represent submitted surveyed data and match the aerial photo. The road centerline dataset is also being re-digitized to better represent the data spatially along with current road attributes.

The GIS staff, highway engineers and project managers have created a new project / procedure for GPS mapping. ArcPad (a mobile field mapping and data collection software designed for advanced GIS and GPS capabilities for capturing, editing, and displaying GIS quickly and efficiently) will be used with a Trimble GPS unit for their surveys and mobile mapping device.



ArcPad

Two interns are currently collecting GPS points, attribute information and photos for every culvert along County owned roads in Minnehaha County. Data is converted to a Geodatabase where GIS professionals can edit, analyze, and



map the attributed information. The results from this culvert inventory project will help Highway staff with

culvert maintenance and become more efficient in their planning and inventory procedures. A complete inventory of the culvert database will be created and mapped when this project is complete. Other projects such as sign inventory, striping, and road networks will use the ArcPad as a GIS solution for our county.

## State Bar of South Dakota Features Drainage

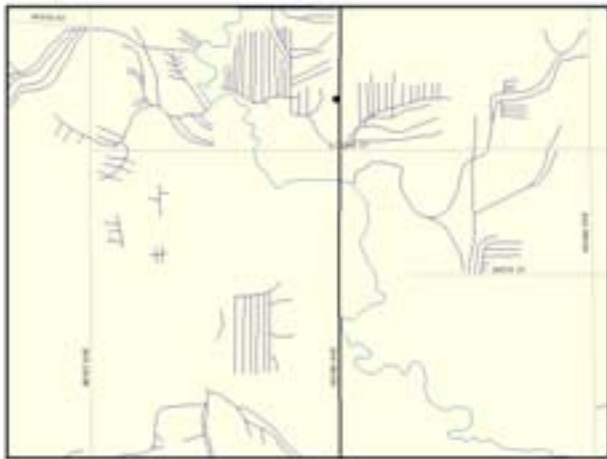


Gordy Swanson, John Pekas, Dustin Powers

At the State Bar's continuing Legal Education Conference, the legal proceedings for drainage matters brought before the County Commission was one of the featured topics. Planning's own Dustin Powers joined Commissioner John Pekas, & Chief Deputy State's Attorney Gordy Swanson on the the panel. Dustin presented the County's drainage ordinance and discussed the reasons why a drainage application would need to be advanced to the the County Commission for consideration. The audience of roughly 50 people had several questions about the drainage procedures used in Minnehaha County.

## GIS Division Continued

Staff is happy to report that adding the drainage tile permits to the GIS database is complete! All of the previous drainage permits were scanned electronically for easier access to permit storage. The



data was hand digitized on GIS from the old permits dating back to 1983. This new dataset is also hyperlinked to the scanned files creating a master map with all the drainage permits. As stated in the drainage ordinance, any new drainage permit that involves new tiling requires contractors to submit GPS data information of the tiles that are newly constructed or repaired. All new submitted GPS data will be merged with our current drainage tile dataset. A database of all tile lines in Minnehaha County can be obtained by contacting the Planning & Zoning office.

Darin is serving on the Envision 2035 task force as the department representative for the GIS Division. He is working with the county planners, task force members and the public to create numerous maps representing land use, zoning, focus areas, etc. These maps are part of the planning process for updating the Comprehensive Plan.

Heidi will be attending the GIS User Conference held by ESRI in San Diego in mid July. This year's theme "the power of Where " highlights numerous software training seminars, nationally recognized speakers, map galleries, local/regional meetings, and showcases that highlight the latest and greatest GIS software. This training is essential to keep up with changes in geospatial technology. Look for a report in the next bulletin.

Along with many map requests by County Departments and the public, daily tasks, and month end duties, the GIS Division is staying busy and keeping on schedule with the goals and projects assigned. You may contact Heidi or Darin at 605-367-4204 or email the staff at

# PLANNING MEETING CALENDAR - JOINT MEETING DATES CHANGED

Meeting dates for the Joint County Commission and Sioux Falls City Council have been changed. Starting in July the joint meeting will be held on the 4th Tuesday of each month, beginning at 5:00 p.m. The joint meetings are held at Carnegie Town Hall, 235 West 10th Street, Sioux Falls. (No Dec.)

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★Holidays

<b>PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING</b>	<b>APPLICATION DEADLINE</b>	<b>COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING</b>	<b>JOINT COUNTY COMMISSION CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS</b>
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## Easy Access to Planning Commission Info

The County webmaster, Kristi Osterloo has just added a new tool to the website, [www.minnehahacounty.org](http://www.minnehahacounty.org). This tool will allow you to be notified when new agendas and minutes from the Planning Commission and County Commission have been posted on the website.

For the Planning Commission:

- Select the Department drop down on the home page and pick Planning/Zoning.
- Under Department Information select Planning Commission.
- Select Planning Commission Agendas.
- Sign up at the bottom of the page. Both agendas and minutes will be sent to your email.

Contact the Planning Department for assistance.

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