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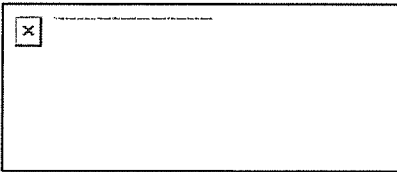
From: Jon Thielen <jon@servicegrinding.com>
Sent: Wednesday, April 7, 2021 8:49 AM
To: cityclerk@stacymn.org
Subject: Re: Building Design

Good morning Sharon,

I think we will have the design ready for the council along with the purchase agreement and earnest money. I do not know yet if we will be ready for the zoning commission next Tuesday. I think the survey crew is due out Friday to get that done. We are waiting on that to finish everything for the zoning commission. We might have to see them on the 20th meeting?

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On Tue, Apr 6, 2021 at 5:04 PM <cityclerk@stacymn.org> wrote:

Hi,

Do you have the proposed building design for the council review next week?

Thanks!



Sharon MT Payne, City Clerk

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From: Carlson, Phil <Phil.Carlson@stantec.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 23, 2021 11:41 AM
To: Sharon Payne (cityclerk@stacymn.org); 'Mark Ness'
Cc: Boyum, Dan
Subject: Stacy Code - building materials, wood pole barns

Sharon, Mark,

Dan Boyum and I had a call this morning with the builder and architect for the Service Grinding & Sharpening business hoping to build in the Stacy Ponds Industrial Park. We discussed their basic proposal and some details – overall it looks reasonable and workable. One issue that came up was the design of the building which they called a “pole barn”. I pointed out to them that Zoning Code in 153.053(F) specifically notes that wood pole buildings are prohibited. Section (d) below deals only with the exterior, section (e) deals with the interior structure:

(d) In the case of metal buildings, the Planning Commission shall prefer masonry buildings; but other types of construction shall be considered during the plan review.

(e) Buildings with wood poles or timbers as the primary support for the roof system and form the foundation structure (pole buildings) and temporary construction are prohibited.

The builder and architect said they were looking for the same kind of approval that Northstar Insulation received, which is now being built as a wood frame building, clad in metal panels. I looked back at my files on Northstar and recall the discussion of the exterior but no record or mention of the interior structure. Was this understood at the time? I don't recall any discussion of the interior frame being wood.

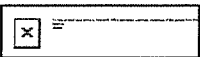
I assume this section of the Code prohibiting wood pole barns goes back a generation or more when these were considered cheap, unattractive buildings. That may have changed. Generally, the Zoning Code deals with external impacts and leaves the interior structure to the building code.

It is ultimately up to the Stacy City Council to determine what building standards they want to encourage and require, but I wanted you to be aware that the question of wood pole barns was a surprise to me. If Northstar and other buildings are in fact acceptable I suggest the Zoning Code should be changed. If they are not acceptable, then the City should be aware of how recent buildings have been built that don't comply with the Code.

Thanks,

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