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STEARNS COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT

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## INTRODUCTION

The following report is a summary of the major activities of the Stearns County Planning Department for 1977, especially those portions of our activities pertaining to the enforcement of the County Ordinances. This report does not take into account such activities pertaining to cooperation in conducting studies with other agencies, grant applications, township and village assistance, general planning activities, and day to day inquiries or correspondence not directly related to the County's Regulations.

The major activities pertaining to the enforcement of the County and State Regulations are briefly summarized in the following paragraphs. Some of the other major activities not directly related to enforcement are also included in this report and summarized as they were an important part of our overall planning program. The statistical summary of the major programs are listed in Appendix A.

### COUNTY SUBDIVISION REGULATION

A total of 24 plats were reviewed and approved by the Planning Commission in 1977. Of the 24 plats approved, 14 were in shoreland areas which also require them to conform to the standards set out by the Shoreland Management Ordinance. The 24 plats contain a total of 333 lots of which 140 are in shoreland areas.

The Planning Department received 69 applications for variances from the Subdivision Regulation in 1977. The Board of Adjustment approved 61 of the requests, denied 5 and 3 applications were withdrawn by the applicant.

### INDIVIDUAL SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEM ORDINANCE

The County Planning Department staff issued 186 individual sewage disposal system permits in 1977, compared to 161 permits in 1976. Each permit required either an inspection by a member of the staff at the time the system was installed or an Affidavit of Compliance form signed by the installer to acknowledge that the system complied with County regulations. During 1977, 62 individuals and firms were bonded and licensed to install and repair sewage disposal systems in Stearns County. Installers are required, by Ordinance, to obtain a bond and license, which must be renewed on a yearly basis at the County Auditor's Office.

It should be noted that the townships of Le Sauk, Munson, Oak, Rockville, St. Augusta, St. Cloud, St. Joseph, St. Wendel and Wakefield have issued the sewage disposal permits for their respective townships and are not included in the totals herein reported.

The V.A., F.H.A. and several of the local lending institutions require approval, by the County Sanitarian, of sewage disposal systems serving individual homes before a loan or a loan guarantee can be granted. The Planning Department received numerous requests by these institutions to inspect, for loan purposes, sewage disposal systems in rural areas of the County.

Numerous requests for inspections were received by this Department from individuals wanting their own or their neighbors sewage disposal system checked for compliance with County regulations. Each request was investigated by a member of the staff, and the proper action was taken to resolve any violations that were noted.

The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, with the assistance of a citizen's advisory committee, completed its draft of proposed septic system standards late in 1976.

The proposed standards are designed to be more comprehensive than the current Recommended Design Criteria of the Minnesota Department of Health in that they proposed more extensive evaluation of building sites, additional systems of distribution for septic tank systems and alternatives to the traditional septic tank system in problem soils.

Public hearings were held late in 1977 on the proposed standards. It is expected that the State will adopt these standards in 1978.

#### SHORELAND MANAGEMENT ORDINANCE

The Shoreland Management Ordinance requires construction site, sewage disposal system and erosion control permits to be issued for those activities that take place within 1000 feet of a lake or 300 feet of a river or stream. Conditional use permits are required for certain activities within shoreland areas and must be approved by the Planning Commission prior to issuance of a permit. The figures on the next page indicate the number of permits during 1977, as compared to 1974, 1975 and 1976 in shoreland areas.

	<u>1974</u>	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>	<u>1977</u>
Construction site permits	191	204	214	246
Sewage disposal system permits	135	126	128	147
Erosion Control permits				25
Conditional use permits	<u>6</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>5</u>
TOTALS	<u>378</u>	<u>395</u>	<u>383</u>	<u>423</u>

The figures below give a breakdown of where the applicant for construction site permit resides.

	<u>1974</u>	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>	<u>1977</u>
Stearns County residents	109	132	148	152
Twin Cities area residents	64	51	47	63
Other out-state residents	15	14	17	28
Out of state residents	3	7	2	3

Again each permit issued required a follow up inspection to insure compliance with the provisions set out in the permit and the Shoreland Management Ordinance regulations.

There were 91 applications for variances from the Shoreland Management Ordinance processed by the staff in 1977. The Board of Adjustment took the following action on the requests: 70 variances were approved, 19 denied, and 2 applications were withdrawn by the applicant.

The Board of Adjustment reviewed 4 plats in shoreland areas that were in existence prior to the adoption of the Shoreland Management Ordinance but required reviewal by the Board of Adjustment to determine compliance with the standards set out by the Ordinance.

The Planning Commission reviewed 22 requests to amend the Shoreland Management Ordinance by rezoning certain tracts in 1977. Of those 22 requests, 12 were approved, 5 denied and 5 were continued to 1978.

Again numerous requests for inspections were received by this Department from individuals and organizations concerned with possible violations of the Shoreland Management Ordinance. Each request was investigated and the proper action was taken to resolve any violation noted.

In 1976 a Planning Commission subcommittee was appointed to review and recommend changes in the Shoreland Management Ordinance. After holding numerous meetings throughout the year, the proposed revisions were sent to public hearing early in 1977. The revisions to the Shoreland Management Ordinance were approved by the County Board of Commissioners in June of 1977.

#### WILD AND SCENIC RIVERS PROGRAM

The Scenic Rivers Ordinance was prepared by a committee and public hearings were held in May. The Scenic Rivers Ordinance was adopted on June 20, 1977. The Ordinance has been administered and enforced by this Department since the effective date of the Ordinance.

#### PUBLIC WATERS CLASSIFICATION PROGRAM

The Planning Department with authorization of the Board of Commissioners applied for and was awarded a grant of \$1600 to participate in the Public Waters Inventory and Classification Program. The responsibility of the County is to classify the watercourses in Stearns County. The Planning Staff will be completing the inventory and classifications in 1978.

#### FLOOD PLAIN MANAGEMENT

Stearns County has been participating in the flood insurance and flood plain program since 1972. Flood insurance is available to all residents in the unincorporated areas. Details and approximate flood maps have been prepared by Barr Engineering. Under this program, the County must adopt, by May 1, 1978, a flood plain ordinance that meets Federal and State guidelines. A sub-committee of the Planning Commission members are now working on an ordinance, that will meet that deadline.

The study developed technical flood information needed to establish actual insurance rates and provide a basis for adoption of appropriate flood plain management regulations.

### SOLID WASTE PROGRAM

Stearns County has complied with State guidelines and policy to close and cover all unauthorized open dumps. The solid waste management problem is still with us. The last Tri-County solid waste committee meeting was held in July, to discuss a joint effort in constructing and maintaining a single recycling facility to handle solid waste from the three Counties. There were differences of opinion on cost and maintenance, and the feasibility of the project at this time.

St. John's University is studying a heat resource recovery plant that would use their solid waste and others generated within the County. Two County Commissioners serve on the study committee. Stearns County solid waste plan should be reviewed and amended to reflect present alternatives or technology. Much depends on the State proposed solid waste plan.

### GROUND WATER STUDY

A joint ground water study is under way in Stearns, Benton, Sherburne and Wright Counties covering approximately 1600 acres. Phase I is under contract with the D.N.R. and U.S.G.S. with a completion date of June, 1979. Region 7W is coordinating and funding part of Phase I. Due to the lack of funds at a regional level, Stearns County approved an additional \$5,000 to complete the program. No preliminary data will be available during the study period.

### CLEARWATER WATERSHED DISTRICT

The Clearwater Watershed Board adopted an overall plan for the District stating objectives, description of district, fish and wildlife management, existing water and water related problems, management approaches and possible solutions. On April 13, 1977 the Board of Managers adopted rules and regulations of the District. They adopted by reference, the zoning, sanitation and subdivision ordinances of Wright, Stearns and Meeker County. Any changes or amendments of ordinances relating to surface water drainage, land-use and zoning within the County must be submitted to the Board of Managers 30 days prior to public hearing for review and comment. The County staff is expected to enforce County and/or District regulations.

### SAUK CENTRE AIRPORT

Mr. Hopke prepared agendas and attended meetings of the Joint Airport Board, presently working on airport zoning ordinance. The Ordinance should be completed in 1978, subject to adoption by Sauk Centre City Council. The 1977 ordinance was revised to reflect changes made during legislative session. The airport planning grant activities was coordinated with the City Council.

### O.E.D.P.

A annual report of the O.E.D.P. was prepared to remain qualified to receive any funding from the Economic Development Administration. The City of Paynesville, Sauk Centre and St. Cloud received grants to construct local industrial parks. If the regional O.E.D.P. is adopted, the County may qualify to receive technical assistance grants to implement County study projects.

### TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

The County staff has assisted the following townships in preparing and carrying out their planning activities: Sauk Centre, Ashley, Eden Lake and Maine Prairie.

### 208 - WATER QUALITY PLANNING

The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency state wide plan requires the regional commission to coordinate and implement water quality activities.

### FEEDLOT

The Feedlot Program again consisted of working with farm operators in filling out application forms to be submitted to the M.P.C.A. for review. We have not involved ourselves in an enforcement program. Our position has been one of assistance for those persons wanting a permit.

## CITY-COUNTY AIR POLLUTION PROGRAM

(prepared by Gary Loomis)

In June, 1977, Mary Beth Carlson, the Air Pollution Specialist resigned and moved to Minneapolis. I was hired during the latter part of August to replace her. I will try to describe her activities from her monthly reports, as well as my own activities up to the present time.

### Monitoring

We have currently seven high volume samplers in the county. Their locations are:

- Kimball - on the fire house roof.
- Paynesville - on the Post Office roof.
- Melrose - on the roof of St. Mary's Elementary School.
- Sartell - on the roof of Sartell High School.
- St. Cloud - on the roof of Roosevelt School.
- St. Cloud - on the Park Department roof.
- St. Cloud - on the Health Department roof.

These High Volume samplers monitor for particulates in the air. Particulates are dust, soot, pollen, dirt particles and heavy metals. These samplers run for 24 solid hours, once every six days. We do have a continuous particulate sampler at the Health Department, called a smoke spot sampler. This one gives a record of the particulates all of the time.

Of course, air pollution doesn't consist only of particles, there are poisonous gases as well. We have different sampling devices for Sulfur Dioxide, Carbon Monoxide and the Oxides of Nitrogen. We have two "bubblers" which are located at the new St. Cloud Water Tower, and at the Health Department. These devices monitor the Sulfur Dioxide and Nitrogen Oxide levels once every six days. Finally, we have a continuous Sulfur Dioxide Monitor at the Health Department which keeps a running check on those levels continuously. Finally, there is a Carbon Monoxide analyzer located in the basement of the Hotel St. Germain. This monitor is located in probably one of the greatest problem areas, with the heavy traffic and high walls of buildings. This is a good place as we can see that, if the levels of monoxide are low here, they will probably be low in the other areas of the county, too. This analyzer is too big and bulky to move, so to check other areas as well, we have a portable device called a bag sampler, which we can place on any corner to sample the air for carbon monoxide. We can then bring the bag of air to the analyzer to check it out.

All of these devices can give us over 27,000 samples a year. With all of this sampling, we can keep a good watch on the air pollution in Stearns County. We have found that we have not exceeded the state standards for Sulfur Dioxide, and Nitrogen Oxides. The Carbon Monoxide alerts we had in January have not been repeated, probably due to unusual weather conditions this fall. We have not seen any significant levels of Carbon Monoxide since I've been here.

#### Publicity

I feel that one of the important jobs an air pollution specialist has concerns public relations. Apparently Mary Beth Carlson thought so too, as she attended public meetings and demonstrated our devices to groups like the Board of Health, schools and the Paynesville Press. I have been continuing along these lines and I hope to expand upon this in the future. I have been working on sound slide presentations that I will use in conjunction with my demonstrations to school children and public groups. I have been interviewed by the local radio stations and have written articles for the local papers. A big part of my activities, when I first came here, was concerned with a public event which I finished organizing called "Clean Air Days."

#### Clean Air Days

This project apparently was created by Mary Beth, and she had done the preliminary work on organizing it. The event was a large exposition which demonstrated to the public how air pollution prevention keeps us all healthy. She had already contacted most of the participants, but I had to arrange all of the final details. We had displays from the Health Department, the American Heart Association, AAA, the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (both sound and air quality sections), the Environmental Protection Agency and the Minnesota Lung Association. I held a poster contest for the Elementary School children to publicize the event, and this was a big success. Furthermore, Jim Gammell from AAA, Sandra Gardebring, the Director of the MPCA appeared at the Board of Health meeting and the local media to further publicize the event. I also did some writing for the newspapers and radio interviews.

Unfortunately, the turnout was not large due to the pouring rain for both days. However, the event was very successful from the standpoint of publicity and awareness of the public. I intend to do this again, making sure that it takes place indoors (maybe Crossroads), and at times when people aren't working. Perhaps we can even do it at Fairs in the summertime.

#### Education

As I have mentioned before, I intend to do a lot of public educating concerning air pollution. I am going to start a lecture schedule and informing schools and groups that I am available.

In regard to my own education, I attended a week long class in Trenton, New Jersey, which gave me a good background in all of the areas of Air Pollution Control. Furthermore, I am reading and studying engineering manuals, laws, rules and regulations and other related materials in our library.

#### Meetings

Both Mary Beth and I attended meetings. I attended two Board of Health meetings, one in regard to Clean Air Days and the other regarding Landy's odor problem. I also spoke before a citizen's action group and I attended the County Board meeting to hear about proposed incinerator at St. John's University. I have also met privately with the County Forester and the forester for the DNR.

#### Burning and Dutch Elm Disease

I have started communicating with the Fire Wardens to find out their needs and problems. I have met with the State Forester, Dan Reick, and the County Forester, Bob Hedburg. I have been checking on alternatives to burning the Dutch Elm diseased trees. I have been talking with people who try to use the trees for a useful purpose rather than just burning them up. I devised a survey to assess the extent of the problem in the county. This letter was sent to the City Clerks and all of the Fire Wardens in the county. The results of this survey indicate that there is a need for a program in Stearns County to help us take care of this problem. There is state money available for local and county governments if we can justify it. I will continue working on this in the future.

I have talked with some of the Fire Wardens and the system seems to be working quite well. I have received very few complaints regarding open burning. The Fire Wardens main concern was the leaf bruning requests. I wrote a letter for the public in this regard, and sent it to all the media, including some interviews on three radio stations. I hope to meet with the Fire Warden in the future to further help our mutual cooperation.

Recently we received a complaint about a neighbor burning wood in his stove at home, the smoke from the fire was heavier than it should be. Anticipating that as more people start burning wood, we will be getting more complaints like this, I researched woodburning techniques to discover how smoke problems could be lessened. This resulted in a large article that I sent to the newspapers to have published. So far, I've had Shoppers News confirm that they would publish it and others I expect will be forthcoming.

#### Complaints, Inspections

I have handled some air pollution complaints, and resolved most of them. Our biggest problem in this regard is Landy Packing Company. Their equipment either is inadequate, or breaks down often enough to cause numerous complaints. I have inspected the facilities so that I am aware of the situation. They have had a consultant to determine the problem and the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency has made recommendations for equipment additions and modifications. It still remains to be seen what will come of these recommendations, although the man who maintains the equipment at Landys says that he thinks that something will indeed be done. I am sure that I will continue to work with this problem in the year to come.

The other complaints usually don't cause much of a problem. I talk to the people involved, and the person responsible corrects it. I have not had any difficulty with resistance to correction.

#### Conclusions

There are other minor activities that I am involved in, but the ones I've mentioned have been the most prominent. I have only been here for a few months, but I find that I enjoy working in air pollution control very much. I like the variety of activities and I feel that I have accomplished something worthwhile.

### PARK ACTIVITIES

The Park Department started 1977 with five sites:

- 1) Mississippi River County Park, 210 acres,
- 2) Warner Lake County Park, 32 acres,
- 3) Upper Spunk Lake County Park, 7 acres,
- 4) County Road 113 Canoe Access, 1 acre,
- 5) The Oak Township Site, 32 acres, and

an interest in Lake Koronis Regional Park, 65 acres, under the management of Meeker County.

In June, the Little Birch Lake Homeowners Association donated 3.5 acres on Lake Sylvia in Millwood Township as a public access to the lake. In November, 65 acres were acquired in Spring Hill Township as part of the Sauk River Recreation System. December saw the acquisition of 56.3 acres on Two Rivers Lake in Krain Township and 8 acres on the Sauk River in Munson Township (3 of the 8 acres were a donation). These 1977 acquisitions bring the total County park acreage to 404 acres.

Patrolling the parks during the summer of 1977 was accomplished by CETA personnel hired just for that purpose. While there were some problems with the program, it was very successful in cutting vandalism to a minimum and as a public relations activity. 1977 also saw an increase in the number of hours the Sheriff's Department patrolled in County Parks. A park patrol program is being set up for 1978, with the help and co-operation of the Sheriff's Department.

#### Mississippi River County Park (Park #1 - 210 Acres)

The 1977 tree planting at Mississippi Park took place during the last week of April with the planting of 6000 assorted hardwoods by the park crew. This brings the total number of trees planted in the park to about 40,000 since the County acquired the land in 1973. It appears that we are having about 30% success with the evergreens planted in the past years.

In the past, we have obtained all of our trees from the State Department of Natural Resources at Budora. This fall, a small tree nursery was started at the park and a root cellar was constructed. These two developments will allow us to produce some of our own trees. With the help of the

Soil Conservation District staff, we expect to expand the nursery to the point where we can grow larger sized trees before transplanting them to the parks, as well as the production of trees not available from the State.

The park facilities were reserved for several family reunions and two factory picnics this summer.

This season was set aside as a observation time to see how the park was being used and what new facilities, if any, would be needed in the future. The only development or construction to take place in 1977 was the laying of concrete planks on the boat ramp and about one mile of trail was developed with the assistance of the Youth Conservation Corps.

According to the counts taken by the maintenance staff and the park patrolmen, there were at least two or three cars in the park daily, with Saturday and Sunday drawing a larger crowd throughout the summer. No attempt was made to obtain an accurate count.

#### Warner Lake County Park (Park #2 - 32 Acres)

The Boys Club, Boy Scouts, Campfire Girls, AA Youth Club and church groups were the main organizations to reserve the Park in 1977. Reservations were also received from several adult groups and St. Cloud State University.

Unorganized day-use of the Park increased again in 1977, however, with the new reservation system and the park patrolling, there were few use conflicts of the type we encountered last season.

#### Upper Spunk Lake County Park (Park #3 - 7.5 Acres)

The main public use of the area is fishing from shore. People from as far as the Twin Cities have been interviewed in the park. Also, several local residents have used the park for their lunch hour and a little fishing. Picnicing has started to pick up as a use, but it is still minimal compared to the shore fishing activities.

#### County Road 113 Canoe Access (Park #4 - 1 Acre)

An attempt to barricade the end of the road to deter people from driving onto the adjacent property was unsuccessful this summer. Most of the maintenance activity consisted of cleanup and grass cutting. We were assisted in the grass cutting by the County Highway Department.

Oak Township Site (Park #5 - 32 Acres)

This site was purchased in 1976. There has been no development completed on it yet. During the summer of 1977, one of the neighbors used the pasture area and in return maintained the fences and the weeds.

Lake Sylvia County Access and Wayside (Park #6 - 3.5 Acres)

This site was acquired in 1977. It had been an access maintained by a local club. The club had been having vandalism problems along with general maintenance and cleanup problems. The County took over in June.

The first action taken by the Park Department at the site was to clear the bursh so that the entire site would be visable from the road. A temporary sign was put up at the entrance and the County Highway Department designated the road as a no parking area for about 500 feet on either side of the entrance. These simple actions stopped all the wild, distructive and disturbing parties at the park. Very few complaints have been received from the neighbors since we took over.

Spring Hill Site (Part #7 - 65 Acres)

Acquisition of the site was completed in November of 1977. This site was acquired as part of a State Natural Resource Grant.

Two Rivers Lake Site (Park #8 - 56.3 Acres)

Acquisition of this site was completed in December of 1977. This site was purchased completely with County funds on a three year contract for deed.

Richmond (Munson Township) Site (Park #9 - 8 Acres)

Acquisition of this site was also completed in December of 1977. Part of this site was obtained through the State Natural Resources Grant and 3 acres were acquired through a donation by the owner.

Lake Koronis Regional Park (62 Acres)

Meeker County is working on a grant application to rebuild the historic "little theater" in the park, as well as some of the other facilities.

Vandalism was a problem at the park in 1977, although permanent damage was minimal.

### Grant-In-Aid Program

The Stearns County Snowmobile Association became a reality in 1977. This group, made up of 13 snowmobile clubs from around the county, is setting up a series of snowmobile trails that will eventually blanket the county. At this time, the trail runs from Sauk Centre to Clearwater with two short breaks; one at St. Martin and the other at Grand Lake. By the 1978-79 winter season, these connections should be completed.

Cross-country skiing is taking hold in the County. A trail has been developed in the Avon area for this season and we are studying the Warner Lake Trail for possible reopening in the 1978-79 season.

### Shade Tree Program

The legislature set up a Shade Tree Program in 1977 primarily to control Dutch Elm and Oak Wilt tree diseases. Stearns County entered the program in July of 1977. After much delay, a county forester was hired in October. The bugs need to be worked out of the program, as well as the trees, but 1978 should see a smother, more efficient program from the local through the state levels. In 1977, 25 trees were removed from private property and 30 from the County parks.

During the summer of 1977, the park department had 10 seasonal employees. The Governor's Summer Youth Program provided 4 high school and college students who worked from the middle of June through August; mostly in Mississippi River Park.

The CETA Program provided 4 maintenance men and two park patrolmen. These workers were drawn from the critically unemployed in the area. They worked hard and well for us during the season.

A part of the program is to help the workers learn skills which would make it easier for them to find jobs after leaving the CETA Program. The men working with our department were exposed to block laying and cement work, carpentry, welding, mechanical work and tree trimming. One employee passed his Class B drivers license with the help of our full-time staff.

Another area of assistance tapped this year was the Youth Conservation Corps. The YCC constructed a stairway at Mississippi River Park from the upper park shelter house to the river flood plain and brushed a trail to the boat landing from the stairs.

1977 was a year of maintenance, acquisition and co-operation for the Park Department. We maintained what we had and we acquired 132 acres. Little of this could have been accomplished without the help and co-operation of the County Attorney, the County Surveyor, the County Emergency Services, the County Highway Department, the County Auditors office, the Sheriff's Department, the district forester, the Soil Conservation Service, the Agricultural Extention Agent, not to mention the Planning Department, whose help is so readily available that we take it for granted. All in all, 1977 was a very good year for parks in Stearns County.

SUMMARY DATA - STEARNS COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT

Date: Year of 1977

	<u>County Subdivision Regulations</u>	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>	<u>1977</u>
Plats approved . . . . .		17	14	24
Variance applications . . . . .		53	66	69
Approved . . . . .		48	58	61
Denied . . . . .		3	6	5
Withdrawn . . . . .		2	2	3

Ordinance No.2 - Individual Sewage Disposal System

Sewage disposal system permits issued . . . . .	158	161	186
Installers licensed . . . . .	44	50	62

Ordinance No.3 - Shoreland Management Ordinance

Construction site permits issued . . . . .	204	214	246
Applicants residence			
Stearns County . . . . .	132	148	152
Twin Cities area . . . . .	51	47	63
Out State . . . . .	14	17	28
Out of State . . . . .	7	2	3
Sewage disposal system permits issued . . . . .	126	128	147
Applicants residence			
Stearns County . . . . .	80	93	83
Twin Cities area . . . . .	33	20	41
Out State . . . . .	9	12	20
Out of State . . . . .	4	3	3
Eros. Con. permits issued . . . . .	--	--	25
Conditional Use permit applications . . . . .	22	14	5
Approved . . . . .	22	9	5
Denied . . . . .	0	5	0
Withdrawn . . . . .	0	1	0
Variance applications . . . . .	126	120	91
Approved . . . . .	106	85	70
Denied . . . . .	16	32	19
Withdrawn . . . . .	4	3	2
Plat reviews . . . . .	13	8	4
Amendment applications . . . . .	10	15	22
Approved . . . . .	6	6	12
Denied . . . . .	4	6	5
Continued . . . . .	0	3	5

Meetings Held in 1977

Planning Advisory Commission . . . . .	11	11	11
Board of Adjustment . . . . .	19	19	19
Park Board . . . . .	12	11	10

Total Permits issued in 1974 - 520  
 Total Permits issued in 1975 - 531  
 Total Permits issued in 1976 - 530  
 Total Permits issued in 1977 - 579

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Month	Construction Site Permits	On Sewage Disposal Permits	Erosion Control Permits	Conditional Use Permits	Amendments Approved SLM	Variances Granted SLM	Variances Denied SLM	Variances Granted SDR	Variances Denied SDR	Plats Appro SDR
January	0	2	0	0	0	5	1	3	1	0
February	5	7	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
March	26	29	0	1	0	4	1	3	0	1
April	33	47	2	2	0	8	3	8	0	3
May	37	45	4	1	0	13	1	6	0	2
June	37	47	7	0	4	3	5	7	2	5
July	30	31	3	0	4	7	3	9	1	1
August	26	45	4	0	0	9	1	4	0	1
September	21	27	2	1	0	10	2	11	0	2
October	18	28	1	0	2	7	1	4	0	1
November	13	24	1	0	0	3	0	2	1	0
December	0	1	1	0	2	1	1	2	0	6
TOTALS	246	333	25	5	12	70	19	61	5	24

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Township	Const. Site Permits	Sewage Disposal Permits	Erosion Control Permits	Cond. Use Permits	Amendments SLM	Variances Granted SLM	Variances Denied SLM	Variances Granted SDR	Variances Denied SDR	Plats SDR
Albany	1	19	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
Ashley	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Avon	28	31	1	0	0	4	3	5	2	1
Brockway	4	28	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	2
Collegetown	20	39	3	0	5	1	1	3	1	2
Crow Lake	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Crow River	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Eden Lake	32	28	3	2	0	4	4	0	1	3
Fair Haven	13	19	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1
Farming	2	8	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Getty	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Grove	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Holdings	5	10	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Krain	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
Lake George	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lake Henry	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Le Sauk	5	0	5	0	0	3	0	3	0	2
Luxemburg	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lynden	21	37	0	0	1	7	0	2	0	0
Maine Prairie	12	21	0	0	0	2	0	6	0	0

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Melrose	5	10	0	0	1	9	1	1	0	0
Millwood	3	10	1	0	1	2	1	1	0	0
Munson	29	0	1	1	2	9	6	5	0	1
North Fork	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Oak	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Paynesville	23	34	4	2	0	14	1	6	0	1
Raymond	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rockville	2	0	2	0	0	3	0	2	0	0
St. Augusta	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	1	2
St. Cloud	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
St. Joseph	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	2
St. Martin	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. Wendel	13	0	0	0	0	2	0	3	0	1
Sauk Centre	9	10	1	0	0	0	0	3	0	1
Spring Hill	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wakefield	15	0	1	0	0	9	2	2	0	2
Zion	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
TOTALS	246	333	25	5	12	70	19	61	5	24

COUNTY SUBDIVISION PLATS - 1977

Name of Addition	Planning Comm. Review		Owner or Developer	Twp. Name	Number of Lots
	Preliminary	Final			
*Singing Hills	1-27-77	2-24-77	Gilbert Steil	Wakefield	11
*Baywood Addition	2-24-77	2-24-77	Charles Anderson	Sauk Centre	20
Woodlawn Addition	12-2-76	3-24-77	Saetzer & O'Donnell	LeSauk	68
*J & M's Lakeside Estates	4-28-77	4-28-77	James Underdahl	Wakefield	11
*Schultz's South Side Addn.	3-24-77	4-28-77	Ellsworth Schultz	Eden Lake	6
*Singing Hills Plat 2	3-24-77	4-28-77	Gilbert Steil	Munson	18
Torgerson West Acres	12-2-76	5-26-77	Jerry Torgerson	Crow River	10
Rockline Addition	3-24-77	5-26-77	John Ray Kuklok	Brockway	8
*Shannon Addition	3-24-77	6-28-77	Robert Lane	Holding	24
Weber s Acre	5-26-77	6-23-77	Michael Weber	St. Augusta	1
Harry Kraemer's Addition	5-26-77	6-23-77	Harry Kraemer	Grove	19
Rennie Addition	5-26-77	6-23-77	Jerome Rennie	St. Joseph	23
Starlight Acres 2nd Addition	5-26-77	6-23-77	Isadore Lehnen	St. Augusta	20
*Strecker Addition	2-24-77	7-28-77	Louis Strecker	Fairhaven	18
*Pleasant Acres Plat 4	5-26-77	8-25-77	W.F. Honer	St. Wendel	17
*Elmwood Grove	6-23-77	9-22-77	Val Schwinghammer	Avon	17
*Meadow Estates	6-23-77	9-22-77	Hugh Skaja	Collegeville	6
*Blomker Addition	9-22-77	10-27-77	Conrad Blomker	Eden Lake	3
*Country Hills	8-25-77	12-1-77	Miller Built Inc.	Collegeville	5
Hecht Hiview Addition	9-22-77	12-1-77	Harlen Hecht	Paynesville	4
*Brossard Addition	9-22-77	12-1-77	Brossard	Eden Lake	8
Piasecki Addition	10-27-77	12-1-77	M. Piasecki	LeSauk	7
*Jeklich Acres	12-1-77	12-1-77	Frank Omann	Brockway	3
Hall Industrial Park	12-1-77	12-1-77	James Hall	St. Joseph	6
*Indicates plat located in Shoreland Management Area.				TOTAL	333
<u>Plat Location</u>					
Shoreland	14				
Other	<u>10</u>				
TOTAL	24 plats				
<u>Lots Platted</u>					
Shoreland	140				
Other	<u>193</u>				
TOTAL	333 lots				

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