AITKIN COUNTY PUBLICATION SUMMARY OF AITKIN COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS AND SOLID WASTE ORDINANCE

On May 28, 2019, the Aitkin County Board of Commissioners adopted amendments to the Zoning Ordinance and adopted a Solid Waste Ordinance.

Waste Ordinance. A summary of the Zoning Ordinance amendments are as follows: Section 3 (Definitions) - add Overnight Occupant; Section 13 (Violation and Penalties) – abil-ity to enforce solid waste violations through MN Statute 375.18, Subp.14; Section 17 (Vacation/ Private Home Rental) - renewal of application through a Lodging Li-cense, non-overnight guest regulations, clarify building code and fire code requirements, requirements for a contact person, require an informational handbook, clarify seven day rental time frame, and add APPENDIX D – sample conditions; and Appendix A (Classification List) - include Fish Hatchery, Fish Farm, public/private as a Conditional Use Permit in all zoning districts except Not Permitted in the Residential zoning district.

A summary of the Solid Waste Ordinance is: Article I – (Repeal Purpose, Authority, and Policy); Article II – (Definitions, Rules and Word Usage); Article III – (General Provisions) – Department Powers and Duties, Boundaries of Service Area, Highest Standards Prevail, Jurisdiction, Planning and Zoning Approval, Waivers, Agency Approval, Indemnification, Financial Assurance, No Consent, False Information, Data Privacy, Severability; Article IV – (Waste Abatement, Storage, Collection, Processing and Disposal); Article V – (Hauler Licensing Provisions); Article VI – (Facility Requirements and Licenses/Permits); and Article VII – (Inspections, Violations and Enforcement).

The above is only a summary; a full text is available for public review at the Aitkin County Planning and Zoning Office located at 209 2nd St. NW Rm. 100, Aitkin, MN 56431 during regular business hours. A copy of the ordinance can also be viewed in its entirety on the Aitkin County Website at www. co.aitkin.mn.us.

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