

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-12

**STATE OF MINNESOTA
COUNTY OF MILLE LACS
PRINCETON TOWNSHIP**

**A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING FINDINGS OF FACT AND
RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS THAT THE
REQUEST BY BRETT ANDERSON, REPRESENTING EAST
CENTRAL ENERGY FOR A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO
CONSTRUCT A NEW ELECTRIC SUBSTATION IN LONG SIDING
ON PID 16-008-1300 IN SECTION 8 BETWEEN HIGHWAY 169 AND
100H AVENUE, SOUTH OF 55TH STREET, BE APPROVED WITH
CONDITIONS**

WHEREAS, Princeton Township has received a request from Brett Anderson, representing East Central Energy for a Conditional Use Permit to allow a new electric substation at Long Siding to be located south of the existing substation on the subject property, PID 16-008-1300 in Section 8 of Princeton Township between Highway 169 and 100th Avenue, south of 55th Street, Princeton Township, Minnesota; and after having conducted a public hearing, the Planning Commission of Princeton Township recommended that the application be approved with conditions. The Board of Supervisors of Princeton Township makes the following findings of fact and resolution:

1. The real property affected by said application is legally described as follows, to wit:

That part of the West Half of the Southwest Quarter of Section 8, Township 36, Range 26, Mille Lacs County, Minnesota, described as follows:

Commencing at the West quarter corner of said Section 8; thence south on the west line of said Section 8, a distance of 533.73 feet; thence east and at right angles to said west line, a distance of 33.00 feet to the east line of the West 33 feet of said Southwest Quarter, as measured at right angles to the west line thereof, being the point of beginning of the parcel to be described; thence east and parallel with the north line of said Southwest Quarter of Section 8, a distance of 295.84 feet, more or less, to the west line of the Great Northern Railway Company right of way; thence north and along said west right of way line, a distance of 518.16 feet, more or less, to the south line of the North 33 feet of said Southwest Quarter, as measured at right angles to the north line thereof; thence west and along said south line of the north 33 feet, a distance of 165.54 feet, more or less, to said east line of the West 33 feet of the Southwest Quarter; thence south and along said east line of the West 33 feet a distance of 500.46 feet to said point of beginning and there terminating.

PID # 16-008-1300; and

2. The Applicant has submitted an application and supporting documentation to Princeton Township on file at the Town Hall at 10039 55th Street, Princeton Township; and

3. The property is zoned C/I Commercial Industrial District in which public utility services, including electric substations are a listed conditional use; and

4. The Applicant has indicated that the new substation is required to meet electric demand due to continued load growth and aged infrastructure. Once the new substation is complete, the existing substation will be removed; and

5. All zoning requirements including lot, setback, and height standards are met with this request; and

6. Staff prepared a planning reports dated July 28, 2026, and August 10, 2026, reviewing the request; and the criteria for review of a Conditional Use Permit; and

7. The Planning Commission held a public hearing at their August 3, 2026, meeting, took comments from the Applicants and public, closed the public hearing, and recommended that the application be approved with conditions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR PRINCETON TOWNSHIP THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS APPROVES THE FOLLOWING:

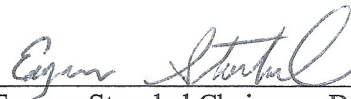
A. The application from Brett Anderson, representing East Central Energy for a Conditional Use Permit to allow a new electric substation at Long Siding to be located south of the existing substation on the subject property, PID 16-008-1300 in Section 8 of Princeton Township between Highway 169 and 100th Avenue, south of 55th Street, Princeton Township, Minnesota.

Be and the same as hereby approved by the Board of Supervisors of Princeton Township with the following conditions:

1. The existing substation shall be removed within three months of commencing operation of the new substation.
2. All grading, drainage, and erosion control plans shall be subject to the approval of the Township Engineer.
3. If proposed, a plan shall be provided for signage, subject to approval of Staff and in conformance with the sign requirements of the Ordinance.
4. If proposed, a plan shall be provided for site lighting, subject to approval of Staff and in conformance with the lighting requirements of the Ordinance.

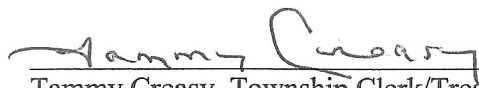
5. There shall be no outdoor storage allowed on the property unless screened in accordance with the Ordinance.
6. Driveway access for the property shall be required to be approved by Mille Lacs County

Approved by the Board of Supervisors of Princeton Township on the 18th day of August 2026.



Eugene Stoeckel Chairman, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:



Tammy Creasy, Township Clerk/Treasurer