

Hinzman, Craig

From: Hinzman, Craig
Sent: Thursday, June 09, 2011 11:23 AM
To: Matt (DOT) Wernet
Cc: Baar, Daniel D; Sam Gibson; Tolaas, James
Subject: RE: Section 30 corners

Matt,

First I would like to compliment you and your team at MnDOT on the quality of work performed on this project. The field work, research, analysis and professional presentation of facts is a model for all Land Surveyors.

Without recovered evidence of the original USPLS corner, the original witnesses / accessories, or having a perpetuated (and documented) position for a location of a USPLS corner, I cannot support "relocating" any of the corners In Section 30, T29N, R22W. Sam Gibson, Dan Baar, some local land surveyors and myself have discussed this situation at length, and have all come to the same conclusion. Despite having current measurement evidence that indicates the possibility of a different location, to begin relocating corners that have been accepted and used for a number of years would be disruptive and controversial. Once the process begins, where does it end? What affect does the "relocation" have on the property rights of private and public entities over a large geographic area? Based on the work you have performed, and the concerns you expressed at our meeting, I am sure you are aware of these facts. It has been obvious that you have not taken this lightly, and were looking for additional input towards a solution to your questions.

I also agree with Sam that if you decide to use a different position a "Certificate of Location" should be filed with Ramsey County and the City of St. Paul.

Please give me call if you have comments or questions on this or any other matter.

Thank you,


Craig Hinzman

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From: Sam Gibson [<mailto:Sam.Gibson@ci.stpaul.mn.us>]
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Matt,

I have gotten some feed back from some of the local private surveyors and a solid consensus is that nothing should be done to relocate the SE corner and the E 1/4 corner indicating that a significant amount of work has been tied into the current locations in section 30 and in the adjacent Sections. I think this is consistent with what we discussed in our meeting a couple of weeks ago. There was some questions regarding the location of the CIM at the N 1/4, with some

expression that there might be a case to relocate this monument. While this is consistent with what we discussed previously I continue to have reservations about moving even this monument.

After talking the matter over with Craig Hinzman, I have concluded that my preference would be to leave all three monuments as is, and suggest that you prepare detailed 'Certificates of Location' for the corners in question in order to document and explain the discrepancies. I am OK with leaving the monument set by MNDOT near the Concrete Monument near the SE corner with said monument being Identified and explained in a COL for the corner.

I apologize if this seems a truncated discussion; I felt that I owed it to you to give an answer in a timely manner, but do not have time right now to outline the entirety of my thoughts. If you want to discuss this in more detail please feel free to contact me

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