

**CHAPTER 38. COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETIES, FAIRS,  
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Any church, civic organization, 4H club or nonprofit organization which operates a concession offering for sale food or nonalcoholic beverages at a county fair or at a local civic festival as defined by the state board of health, shall, at least two weeks before the event, procure a permit to operate the concession. Permits shall be issued by the state board of health upon satisfaction of regulations providing safe sanitation and health standards promulgated in accordance with chapter 15. Each permit shall be effective for a period of six days, which period will be designated on the face of the permit. No person or organization retaining a permit pursuant to this section shall be required to obtain an additional license or permit pursuant to the provisions of section 28A.04, or chapter 157, for the operation of a concession. There shall be no charge for any permit issued under this section.

[1973 c 35 s 15]

**38.27\* County agricultural societies**

**Subdivision 1. Tax levy; powers.** In all counties, in addition to all other powers now or hereafter by law conferred upon county boards, authority hereby is given annually to levy a tax upon all property subject to taxation and, from time to time, to appropriate and pay over the proceeds of this tax, when collected, to any county agricultural society of its county which is a member of the state agricultural society, to assist the society in paying its financial obligations now or hereafter incurred, and for the construction, reconstruction, alteration, repairs and improvements of necessary buildings.

[1973 c 583 s 4]

**Subd. 2** [Repealed 1973 c 583 s 37]

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**38.36 County extension committee**

There shall be provided in each county an extension committee, consisting of nine members, of whom two shall be members of the board of county commissioners, including the chairman and one other member of the county board selected by the board, the county auditor, and six additional members to be selected and appointed at large by the county board as provided in this section. In 1970 and each year thereafter, the board of county commissioners at their annual meeting shall select and appoint on an at large basis for a term of three years that number of the county extension committee as is required to fill the memberships on that committee expiring at that time. In cooperation with the dean of the Institute of Agriculture of the University of Minnesota, or his delegated representative, the county extension committee, each year, on or before the second Monday of July, shall prepare a budget showing the total funds available and needed, and shall recommend to the board of county commissioners the amount of county funds necessary for the maintenance, support, and expenses of the county extension work in agriculture and home economics during the following year. A copy of such budget shall be presented by the county auditor to the board of county commissioners. It shall be the duty of the board of county commissioners at its regular meet-

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ing in July or January, as the case may be, to consider the recommended county share of money necessary for the maintenance, support, and expenses of county extension work in agriculture and home economics during the following year. For these purposes the board of county commissioners may appropriate money annually from the general revenue fund and may include the same in the annual levy of county taxes or may make a special levy for county extension purposes or both. The amount of money so set aside and appropriated by the board of county commissioners for any county for these purposes shall constitute a fund to be known as the county extension fund, which shall be paid out by orders of the dean of the Institute of Agriculture of the University of Minnesota, or his delegated representative, for salaries of the agents employed, their employees, and other expenses incident to the work of such agents in improving agriculture and home economics and improving and bettering the marketing of farm products within the appropriation available. No order for the application of these funds for the purposes named shall be issued until the expenditure shall have been audited and signed by the county auditor. In the event there is an unexpended balance of the county extension fund at the end of any year, this balance shall be carried over or reappropriated.

[1973 c 528 s 1; 1973 c 583 s 5]

## CHAPTER 40. SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION

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## 40.02 Public policy; purpose

As a guide to the interpretation and application of this chapter, the public policy of the state is declared to be as follows. Improper land-use practices have caused and contributed to serious erosion of farm and grazing lands of this state by wind and water and that thereby topsoil is being washed out of fields and pastures and has speeded up the removal of the absorptive top soil causing exposure of less absorptive and less protective, but more erosive, subsoil; and that land occupiers have failed to cause the discontinuance of such practice as creates this condition, and the consequences thereof have caused the deterioration of soil and its fertility and the deterioration of crops grown thereon, and declining yields therefrom, and diminishing of the underground water reserve, all of which have caused water shortages, intensified periods of drought, and crop failure, and thus brought about suffering, disease, and impoverishment of families and the damage of property from floods and dust storms; and that all of these effects may be prevented by land-use practices contributing to the conservation of top soil by carrying on of engineering operations such as the construction of terraces, check dams, dikes, ponds, ditches, and the utilization of strip cropping, lister furrowing, contour cultivating, land irrigation, seeding and planting of waste, sloping, abandoned, or eroded lands to water-conserving and erosion-preventing plants, trees, and grasses.

It is hereby declared that it is for the public welfare, health, and safety of the people of Minnesota to provide for the conservation of the soil and soil resources of this state, and for the control and prevention of soil erosion, for land resource planning and development, for the implementation of land resource use practices that effectively reduce siltation and loss of the land base through activities associated with farming, mining, construction, forestry, and other activities of man, and for flood prevention or the conservation development, utilization, and disposal of water, including but not limited to, measures for fish and wildlife and recreational development, and thereby preserve natural resources, control floods, prevent impairment of dams and reservoirs,