

**NORWAY TOWNSHIP PUBLIC HEARING
FOR
ESTABLISHMENT OF GRAVEL PIT
ON PARCEL NO. 22-004-013-033-00**

1. Hearing was called to order 6:00 p.m. by Planning Commission Chairperson Robert Girardi. Pledge was recited.
2. Roll call: Present: Robert Girardi, Chairperson; Peter Zanon, Brent Swanson, Tony Baciak, Brian Pellegrini
3. Guests: Ken Oanes and Clint Weninger representing Payne & Dolan.
3. Discussion of the establishment of a gravel pit to be located on parcel number 22-004-013-033-00 located in Norway Township:
 - a. Letters were sent out to the adjacent 9 property owners within 300 feet of the proposed gravel pit site. 7 responses, from the original 9 letters, were received via mail.. Out of the 7 responses received 3 property owners had no objection and 4 had objections to the gravel pit. An additional 9 letters were received from residents outside of the 300 ft. zone, all objecting to the gravel pit. 33 residents attended the public hearing.
 - b. Payne & Dolan representatives gave a brief description of the intended use of the property under discussion.
 - c. Citizens comments:
 - Joe LaFreniere, Waucedah Township – opposed – concerned about asphalt plant being there and possible expansion into recycling of old shingles
 - Traci LaFreniere, Norway Township – opposed – concerned about effects of asphalt plant on residents' health and devaluation of property
 - Lori Turri, Waucedah Township – opposed – current zoning in Norway Township does not allow for gravel crushing or asphalt plant in Rural Residential zoned area.
 - John Limberopolous, Norway Township – opposed – concerned about noise and dust levels, EPA violations, fire department capabilities regarding on-site hazardous materials.
 - Kalysta Ruatti, Waucedah Township – opposed – child has cystic fibrosis, concerned about the effects of asphalt plant on her child's health
 - Kimberly Tobey, Waucedah Township – oppposed – child has health problems and they also have a hobby farm, concerned about the noise, dust and odor; also concerned about decreased property values
 - Carl Alwine, Norway Township – oppposed – concerned about carcinogens in the air
 - Tina Pirlot, City of Norway – opposed – concerned about dust and odors affecting health; also concerned about groundwater pollution and traffic
 - Carlo Langsford, Waucedah Township – opposed – concerned about smell of asphalt plant
 - Vera Limberopolous, Norway Township – oppposed – concerned about effects on air and water quality

- Katherine LaFreniere, Waucedah Township – opposed – concerned on the effects on tourism in the area
- Mark Zychowski, Norway Township – opposed – concerned about noise
- Josh Tobey, Waucedah Township – opposed – concerned about groundwater contamination
- Brock Pearman, Norway Township – opposed – concerned about noise and truck traffic

4. Board action: Planning Commission members will review information. Another meeting of the Planning Commission will be held on Monday, February 16, 2026 at 5:30 p.m. at the Norway Township Hall for further discussion.

5. Adjournment: motion made by Pellegrini, second by Swanson, to adjourn the hearing. All ayes. Hearing adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Joyce Giuliani
Norway Township Clerk