

**Norway Township Planning Commission
Special Planning Commission Minutes
June 28, 2023**

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm

Pledge:

Roll Call: Present: Brian Pellegrini, Peter Kivisaari, Mike Steeno, Mike Steeno and Bob Girardi,
Absent: B. Swanson

Others Present: Don Byczek, (Township Supervisor/Zoning Administrator)

Approve Agenda: Agenda was approved unanimously.

Approval of Minutes: No Minutes. Minutes will be approved for the July 24, 2023 meeting.
Motion to appoint Pellegini alternate secretary for this Special Meeting. Seconded by Bob Girardi. 4-0

Citizens' Time: Several citizens spoke regarding the Groveland Mine Solar Conditional use permit. Focus of the comments was a document submitted by Eric Wickman indicating the property owners- Michigan DNR or a representative from the state has not signed the application. Document was accepted by the Planning Commission.

The Planning Commission moved on to discussing in detail Resolution 23-06 granting a conditional use and site plan permit to Groveland Mine Solar. Discussed zoning compliance with Sections 1304, ~~1319~~. The Commission determined Groveland Mine Solar was in compliance with all sections of 1304 and ~~1319~~. **Brian Pellegrini motion to accept the Conditional Use Permit and that all conditions of the application were met. Seconded by Mike Steeno.** 3-1: Pellegini, Girardi and Steeno-Yes. Kivisaari-No. *Mike Steeno*
Brian Pellegrini

Prior to granting the permit, the Commission (by consensus) moved the 2nd Citizen's time from after the vote to prior to voting on granting the Conditional Use Permit.

Citizens voiced there concerns and again raised the Michigan DNR or representative from the State of Michigan had not signed the permit. Discussion also brought up that in addition, part of the site on the permit is Michigan Mining Land and no signature was present on the application for a conditional use permit. Representatives of Groveland Mine Solar stated they will get these signatures. Planning Commission accepted this stipulation as long as it was included in resolution 23-06. Chairman Kivisaari requested this stipulation be hand written in the resolution and initialed by the Zoning Administrator, Don Byczek. On page 11 under Decisions: added was "subject to obtaining leased land signatures from Michigan Mining and the Michigan DNR. The Vested Rights 5. Page 11 was read and a vote was taken. **The vote was 4-0. Chairman Kivisaari declared Resolution 23-06 adopted.** *Mike Steeno motion 2nd by Brian Pellegrini*

Adjournment: Motion was made by Brian Pellegrini seconded by Bob Girardi to adjourn at 6:35 pm

Next Meeting: July, 24, 2023.

Brian Pellegini
Recorder