

**Norway Township Planning Commission
Meeting Minutes
January 26, 2025**

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. Pledge was recited.

Roll Call: B. Pellegrini, P. Zanon, R. Girardi,

Absent: P. Kivisaari, B. Swanson

Others Present: D. Byczek (Township Supervisor/Zoning Administrator)

Approve Minutes: Tabled until next meeting because only one member from that meeting was present.

Citizen's Time: None

Master Plan Upgrade Presentation: discussed with Jessica Walter what CUPPAD can do to assist in updating the master plan.

Discussion:

1. **Road work in township:** ongoing roadwork was discussed. No action needed to be taken.
2. **Recreation project:** grant has been applied for from Dickinson Area Foundation. Contract for building of the pavilion has been signed. Work to be begin in the spring.
3. **Review of funds available for projects:** discussion of various proposed projects.
4. **Solar Grant Discussion:** grant for \$250,00 has been approved by the state. The first half of the amount will be available after actual work begins at the Groveland Mine sight which is estimated to be in March 2027.
5. **DTE Grant:** grant has been approved by EGLE.

Board Member Comments: None

Citizens' Time: None

Adjournment: Motion was made by Zanon, second by Pellegrini to adjourn. Passed 3-0. Adjourned at 6:49 p.m.

Brent Swanson
Secretary

**Norway Township Planning Commission
Meeting Minutes
April 28, 2025**

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. Pledge was recited.

Roll Call: B. Pellegrini, P. Zanon, R. Girardi,

Absent: P. Kivisaari, B. Swanson

Others Present: D. Byczek (Township Supervisor/Zoning Administrator)

Approve Minutes: motion was made by Pellegrini, second by Zanon, to accept the October and January minutes as presented. All ayes. Passed 3-0.

Citizen's Time: None

Discussion:

1. **Road work in township:** ongoing roadwork was discussed. No action needed to be taken.
2. **Recreation project:** grant from Circle Power Renewables, distributed by Dickinson Area Foundation has been received. Contract for building of the pavilion has been signed. Work to be begin after spring weight restrictions on roads is lifted.
3. **Cemetery work:** 34 trees are arriving on May 2. These were purchased with a matching grant from DTE and EGLE.
4. **Container boxes:** there has been an increase in the use of container boxes by residents. Discussion was held on the rules as outlined in the zoning ordinance.
5. **Spring clean up:** will be held beginning 10 a.m., Tuesday, May 20 through Friday, May 23 at noon. Dumpsters will be located behind the East Vulcan baseball field.

Board Member Comments: None

Citizens' Time: None

Adjournment: Motion was made by Zanon, second by Pellegrini to adjourn. Passed 3-0. Adjourned at 6:09 p.m.

Peter Zanon/
for Brent Swanson
Secretary

**Norway Township Planning Commission
Meeting Minutes
July 28, 2025**

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. Pledge was recited.

Roll Call: T. Baciak, B. Pellegrini, P. Zanon, R. Girardi, B. Swanson

Absent: None

Others Present: D. Byczek (Township Supervisor/Zoning Administrator)

Approve Minutes: motion was made by Pellerini, second by Zanon, to accept the April minutes as presented. All ayes. Passed 5-0.

Citizen's Time: None

Discussion:

1. **Election of officers:** Zanon nominated Bob Girardi for chairperson and Pellegrini nominated Brent Swanson for secretary. All ayes. Passed 5-0
2. **Permissive Zoning:** Byczek explained how permissive zoning works and that our zoning ordinance is a permissive zoning ordinance.
3. **Chicken Ordinance:** discussion of drafting a chicken ordinance was held but no action was taken.
4. **Zoning Ongoing issues:** Byczek discussed some of the zoning issues the township is working on.
5. **Cemetery work:** new flagpoles will be installed at the cemetery this fall
6. **Road work:** Oak Crest Drive is scheduled for paving in late September or early October.
7. **Gravel pit denial:** a request was received from a property owner regarding opening a gravel pit. The board denied moving his request to the planning commission.
8. **Handicap ramp work:** due to the poor condition of the ramp leading to the post office it needs to be replaced. Plans are currently being drawn up.
9. **Sidewalk removal:** discussed removal of dangerous, uneven sidewalks in Vulcan

Citizens' Time: None

Adjournment: Motion was made by Pellegrini, second by Zanon to adjourn. Passed 5-0. Adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Brent Swanson
Secretary