

Norway Township

Planning Commission Meeting Minutes

Date: March 30, 2026

Time: 5:30 p.m.

Location: Norway Township Hall

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Robert Girardi at 5:30 p.m.

• Pledge of Allegiance

Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

• Roll Call

Board Members Present: R. Girardi, Chair; A. Baciak, B. Pellegrini

Board Members Absent: B. Swanson, P. Zanon

Also Present: Don Byczek, Supervisor/Zoning Administrator. Representatives from Payne & Dolan. There were 10 public attendees.

• Approval of Agenda

Motion by Pellegrini, supported by Baciak, to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion carried 3-0.

• Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Motion by Baciak, supported by, Pellegrini, to approve the March 23, 2026 meeting minutes.

Motion carried 3-0.

Citizens' Time

Eric Wickman – Zoning Ordinance regulations regarding gravel pits.

• Unfinished Business

1. Discussion of conditions of permit by Payne & Dolan

John Leach of Payne & Dolan requested changes as follows:

- a) Trees and stumps can be used to help establish a berm around the gravel pit instead of having to remove them.
- b) Under Length of Permit paragraph, after the sentence “The Conditional Use Permit can be terminated at any time for violation of these conditions”, add a statement that the Contractor has a right to cure problems as stated in Section 1305, Conditions and Safeguards, paragraph F and Section 1405 Zoning Administrator, paragraph F.
- c) Under Length of Permit paragraph, change “The Conditional Use Permit can be amended by the Planning Commission at any time” to read “The Conditional Use Permit can be amended for reasonable cause at any time.”
- d) There should be a permit renewal process established instead of having to go through a total new application.
- e) Crushing of gravel shall be permitted. It is considered as an accessory use and shall be permitted as per Section 1301 and Section 202 Definitions, item 5 Accessory Use. Crushing of gravel is also permitted under MCL-125.3205 of the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act., paragraph (3).

• **Citizens' Time**

Mark Zychowski – ownership of the land

John Limberopoulo – clearing of trees and noise levels

Joe LaFreniere – contractor yard definition as per Zoning Ordinance

Kalysta Ruaati – multiple same violations

Eric Wickman – Zoning Ordinance

• **Adjournment**

Motion by Pellegrini, supported by, Baciak, to adjourn the meeting at 6:12 p.m.

Motion carried 3-0.

Meeting to finalize the conditional use permit will be held on April 6, 2026 at 5:30 p.m. at the Norway Township Hall.

Joyce Giuliani, Norway Township Clerk / for

Brent Swanson, Planning Commission Secretary