

**Nelson Township Planning Commission**  
**October 19, 2021**  
**7:00pm**

Nelson Township Municipal Building  
2 Maple Street  
Sand Lake, Michigan 49343

**Minutes**

The Planning Commission was called to order at 7:00 pm.

**Commissioners Present:** Stolk, Wier, C. DeJong, Mahoney, R. DeJong and Covell. Absent: Wall

**Also, Present:** Zoning Administrator, Gross, Supervisor, Britton, Township Attorney, Leisman, and others on the sign in sheet.

**Approval of the Planning Commission Agenda:** Wier made the motion to accept the agenda, Mahoney seconded. All-Yes, absent Wall

**Approval of the Planning Commission Minutes from September 21, 2022:** R. DeJong made the motion to accept the minutes with the Wier name change. Wier seconded, All-Yes. Absent Wall

**Public Comment:** Public comment opened at 7:02 and closed at 7:02

- New Business:**
- a. Annual Mine Review for 14055 Keller (Wall). Zoning Administrator Gross pointed out that the Mine Renewal form does have the expiration date of the mine on the form. Gross stated that there have been complaints related to the road but not on the actual pit. The complaints have been on the condition of the road leading to the pit. Supervisor Britton explained all the issues with the road. Britton let the complainants know that this meeting was taking place. There were no residents present. Britton stated that they have had multiple meetings over the road condition but the condition of the road does not reflect on the mine.  
C. DeJong made the motion to renew the Special Land use for 14055 Keller for 3 years, Wier seconded, All-Yes, absent Wall
  
  - b. Extension on the Mine permit located at 16601 Ritchie. The mine permit expires on November 18, 2022. Mine owner will need a new Special Land Use due to the original land use being for 7 years. The Planning Commission will need a new Application, a new survey, and a public hearing. It was determined by the Planning Commission that there will not be enough time to accomplish this before the permit expires due to the scheduling of the Planning Commission. A special meeting will be set for December 14, 2022 if the application is in by November 16, 2022. The mine will have permission to remain in operation if the application is received by November 16, 2022. Wier made the motion Seconded by C. DeJong, All-Yes, Absent Wall

**Unfinished Business:** Mine located at 9171 Becker. Kurt Rowland representing the mine indicated that he had the new engineering prints the PC Committee asked for at the last meeting. It includes the proposed grades on the blueprint and a reclamation plan. Zoning Administrator Gross said that the escrow had been taken care of. A Public Hearing will still need to be held. Wier made the motion to set a Special Meeting and a Public Hearing for December 14, 2022, and based on the Planning Commission's schedule, to allow the mine to continue operation until the Public Hearing. 2022, seconded by C.DeJong, All Yes, absent Wall

**Extended Commissioners Comments:** Supervisor Britton gave some updates on the Township. Zoning Administrator, Gross stated that the Daycare was on hold right now Until the Township Board gives some direction to the Planning Commission.

**Adjournment:** Without objection the Planning Commission was adjourned at 8:09pm. Motion made by R.DeJong, seconded by Wier. All Yes, absent Wall

The next Planning Commission meeting will be held December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Recording Secretary: Susan VanEnk