

**NELSON TOWNSHIP**  
**Planning Commission Meeting**  
Nelson Township Municipal Building  
2 Maple Street  
Sand Lake, Michigan 49343  
Wednesday, January 17, 2018  
7:00 P.M.

**MINUTES**

The regular Planning Commission meeting was called to order at 7:00p.m. by Chairman McKown.

**Commissioners Present:** Stolk, Mahoney, Litwinchuk, Wall, McKown

**Commissioners Absent:** Wier, Covell

**Also, Present:** Zoning Administrator Jerry Gross

**Approval of Agenda:** Litwinchuk moved to approve the agenda as presented. Seconded by Wall. Yes – 5, No – 0, Absent - 2

**Approval of Minutes:** Mahoney moved to approve the August 16, 2017 minutes. Seconded by Litwinchuk. Yes – 5, No – 0, Absent - 2

**Public Comment:** None

**Public Hearing:** None

**New Business:** Appointment of Planning Commission Officers. Wall nominated McKown to Chairperson. Stolk seconded. McKown accepted the nomination. Yes – 5, No – 0, Absent - 2

Mahoney nominated Stolk for Co-Chairman. Litwinchuk seconded. Stolk accepted the nomination. Yes – 5, No – 0, Absent - 2

Wall nominated Mahoney for Secretary. Stolk seconded. Mahoney accepted the nomination. Yes – 5, No – 0, Absent - 2

White Pine Ridge – Larabel would like to have the bond reduced to \$2,500.00. Discussion on the status of the culvert and line of sight for the entrance. The county is satisfied that the entrance meets the county standards. The culvert was put in by the development and is responsible for it. Litwinchuk asked about the trees that were put in and Gross said he checked on them and they meet the basic requirements. Stolk made a motion to make the bond amount \$10,000.00. Litwinchuk seconded. Yes – 5, No – 0, Absent -2

**Unfinished Business:** Toppen mining. Zoning Administrator Gross and Board Member Wall earlier in the week talked to Toppen and he plans on continuing with the mining process.

**Comments from the Commissioners and Township Officials:**

Zoning Administrator Gross asked for clarification of ordinance 3.21, the Seasonal use of campers or trailers. The Planning Commission advised to the Zoning Administrator to request in writing clarification and intent pertaining to Ordinance 3.21 Special Use of Campers.

**Adjournment:** Wall made the motion. Stolk seconded. Yes – 5, No – 0, Absent - 2

Susan VanEnk  
Recording Secretary