Call to Order – Meeting called to order at 7:00 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance – by all present

Roll Call – Kolka-excused absence, Doyle-excused absence, Warner-present, Vermeesch-present, Reibel-present

Approval of Agenda- MM by Warner to accept the Agenda as presented, 2nd by Reibel. Motion carried to approve Agenda 3-0

Conflict of Interest – none noted.

Public Comment related to Agenda Items – none

Approval of June 12, 2017 Meeting Minutes – MM by Warner to approve the minutes, 2nd by Reibel. Motion carried to approve Minutes 3-0

Zoning Administrator’s Report – Read by Zoning Administrator, Robert Dutcher. Report is also available on the Township website.

New Business – None

Old Business –
Article V and VII Update Review and Public input session on proposed updates to Article V & VII. There is an amended copy on the web site and Chairman Vermeesch stated that in the copy on the web site in Article V, Section 3 Line 10 (7.03.10) is inadvertently shown as struck but should not be struck. Vermeesch explained why the Ordinance updates are being done and Planner Meyers explained some of the Special Uses and Permitted uses.

In the Public Input Session two Township residents, Bill Gnodtke and Claire Rasmussen spoke regarding their concerns with the revised Ordinance Draft:

Bill Gnodtke’s concerns are as follows:
- Drive Thru’s and Campgrounds
- Wants to make sure the Permit Process stays intact
- Concerned about P.U.D.’s and Performance Bonds
- Concerns on Mining and Extraction
- Concerns about the 300’ landowner notification rules and feel it should be extended
- Concerns about an Escrow account being established for Mining and Extraction Applications for Special Use Permits
- Concerns regarding Meteorological towers and View Sheds
Claire Rasmussen’s concerns are as follows:
- Would like the PC to look into adding permitted Agriculture uses in the RR zones
- Possibly making non-impactful Ag use as permitted
- Has concerns about not finding the Zoning Map on the web site

The PC discussed the concerns that were presented and Planner will research the concerns and bring back suggestions to the August PC meeting. Meyers will also work with Recording Secretary to get the Zoning Map on the web site.

Announcements & Correspondence – Meyers announced that she is now working on the Site Plan Review and will bring ideas and suggestions to the August meeting.

Vermeesch wanted to publicly thank Supervisor Frank Hamilton for his many years of service to Norwood Township as he is resigning as Supervisor as of July 17, 2017.

Supervisor Hamilton stood and thanked the Planning Commission for their help, dedication and service to Norwood Township.

There will be a reception for Frank on Monday July 17, 2017 at the Norwood Schoolhouse following the Township Board meeting (approximately 7:45pm).

Hamilton announced that Marion Light is donating property in the township to the Little Traverse Conservancy in the name of her late husband George Light.

Next Planning Commission meeting will be August 8, 2017 at 7:00pm at the Norwood Township Hall

Public Comment – None

Meeting Adjourned at 7:55 p.m.
Submitted by Shari M. Jones, Recording Secretary