

**SANDS TOWNSHIP SPECIAL MEETING  
SANDS TOWNSHIP OFFICE COMPLEX  
(Joint Meeting with Township Planning Commission)  
January 28, 2025**

**1. CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – D. Walch called the joint meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

**2. TOWNSHIP BOARD ROLL CALL:** Darlene Walch, Lee Yelle, Justin Yelle, David Kallio and Carolyn Kerkela

**PLANNING COMMISSION ROLL CALL:** Shelley Brauer, Suzanne Sundell, Cory Bushong, Pamela Lajewski-Pearson, Justin Yelle (Board Rep)

**ABSENT:** None

**PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE:** Bill Nordeen, George LaBlonde, Craig Salo

**EMPLOYEES IN ATTENDANCE:** Randy Yelle, Barb Kransi, Tom Wahlstrom,

**3. AGENDA:** C. Kerkela motioned, D. Kallio seconded, to approve the agenda as presented. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

**4. PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES:** P. Lajewski-Person motioned, C. Bushong seconded, to approve the Planning Commission minutes of October 15, 2024 as presented. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

**5. PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**6. Business - Informational work session re: Condominium Act and proposed plans from Developer George LaBlonde:**

- Plans were shown for a proposal to develop 20 acres along County Road 480 under the Condominium Act. Attorney Nordeen explained the Act and some of the relevant/important provisions and requirements of that law. Township Board members and Planning Commission asked several questions regarding the proposal itself and the process necessary to move forward, and the provisions of the Condominium Act and how they relate to this project and the role the Township plays relative to the Condominium Association.

**7. ZONING/AUTHORITY REPORTS:** None

**8. PUBLIC COMMENT –** None

**9. ADJOURNMENT (JOINT SESSION):** C. Bushong motioned, S. Sundell seconded, to adjourn the joint meeting between the Planning Commission and Township Board. Motion carried unanimously. Joint session adjourned at 7:33 PM by D. Walch.

**10. TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING:** Township Board meeting continued.

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**11. BID NOTICE FOR DISPOSAL OF GARBAGE TRUCK:** D. Walch motioned, L.Yelle seconded, to approve the bid wording for disposal of the garbage truck, and to post it in the usual ways (Mining Journal, Facebook, Website), with a deadline of February 11, 2025. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

**12. ADJOURNMENT** – D. Walch adjourned the meeting at 7:46 PM.

Carolyn Kerkela, Clerk

Darlene Walch, Supervisor