

Village of Bear Lake Planning Commission Agenda

Date: October 8, 2026

Time: 6 PM

Location: Village Hall, 12016 Russell Street, Bear Lake, MI 49614

Planning Commission Members

- **Chairperson:** John Virga
- **Vice Chairperson:** Meg Kieskowski
- **PC Members:**
 - Ian Myers
- **Secretary:** Michelle Swanson
- **Ex officio member:** Shelly Lynnes

Public Hearing

- **Zoning Amendments Ordinance Z26-02**
- Public Comment

Call to Order

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Welcome and Roll Call
- Public comments regarding the Agenda
- Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

New Business

1. **Short Term Rental Ordinance Proposed Amendments**
 - Review STR Sounding Panel Notes
 - Review STR Proposed Amendments
 - Vote on STR Ordinance recommendations to Village Council
2. **Site Plan Review - 12395 Lynn Street - Java Lodge**
 - Review the site plan, and the Zoning Administrator's site plan review memo
 - Vote on site plan

Old Business

1. **Manistee County-Wide Park and Recreation Plan Update**

- The public hearings for the County-Wide Park and Recreation Plan are scheduled for November meetings
- PC only meet May through October; discuss and confirm that the Village Council can hold the Public Hearing in November

2. **Master Plan Update**

- Update on resident feedback survey.
 - i. Review timing of survey results for input into the Master Plan update.
- Resources:
 - i. [Village Master Plan working draft](#)
 - ii. MML Masterplan Guidelines:
https://mml.org/resources/publications/one_pagers/FS%20Master%20Plan-Mastering%20the%20Updating%20Process_-11-2019.pdf

Public Comment

- Open floor for resident comments and questions.

Adjournment

- The Village of Bear Lake Planning Commission meets every 2nd Thursday, May through October at 6 PM
- Adjourn meeting.