



Michiana Planning Commission

Village of Michiana, 10 EST

March 14, 2025

Master Plan Principles

- Improve our 2005 Master Plan
- Simple and Efficient
 - We are a small beach community with little land development and commercial need; our plan and approach should reflect the size, character and needs.
- Sustainability
 - An integrated planning process embedded into our village culture and working processes.
- Collaboration
 - Village Council, Village Departments
 - Community Engagement
 - Planning Commission

Meeting Agenda

1. Master Planning Status and Schedule
 - ▶ Workplan Status
 - ▶ Survey Results
2. Project Structure - Planning Commission/Master Plan Task Force
 - ▶ Roles and Responsibilities
 - ▶ Summer Structure
3. Planning Commission Next Steps
 - ▶ Charter and ByLaws
4. Discussion

1. Master Plan Project Status

4

Organize Project

Community Engagement

Survey 1- Vision, Goals



Assessments

Community Profile



Department Assessments

In Progress

Changes Michigan Municipal Planning Enabling Act

Master Plan

Draft Initial Sections

In Progress

August - September

October - April

Planning

Community Engagement

Survey 2 - Priorities

Community Workshop (July)

Beaches
Parks and Recreation
Public Works
Safety and Police
Building and Zoning
Environment/Trees
Rentals
Village Governance

May - July

Action Plan

Draft Vision, Goals and Objectives

Priority Setting

Action Plan

Draft Master Plan

Master Plan

Draft Final Sections

August

Approval

Draft Approved

Submit for Public Comment

PC and VC Approval

Town Hall meeting

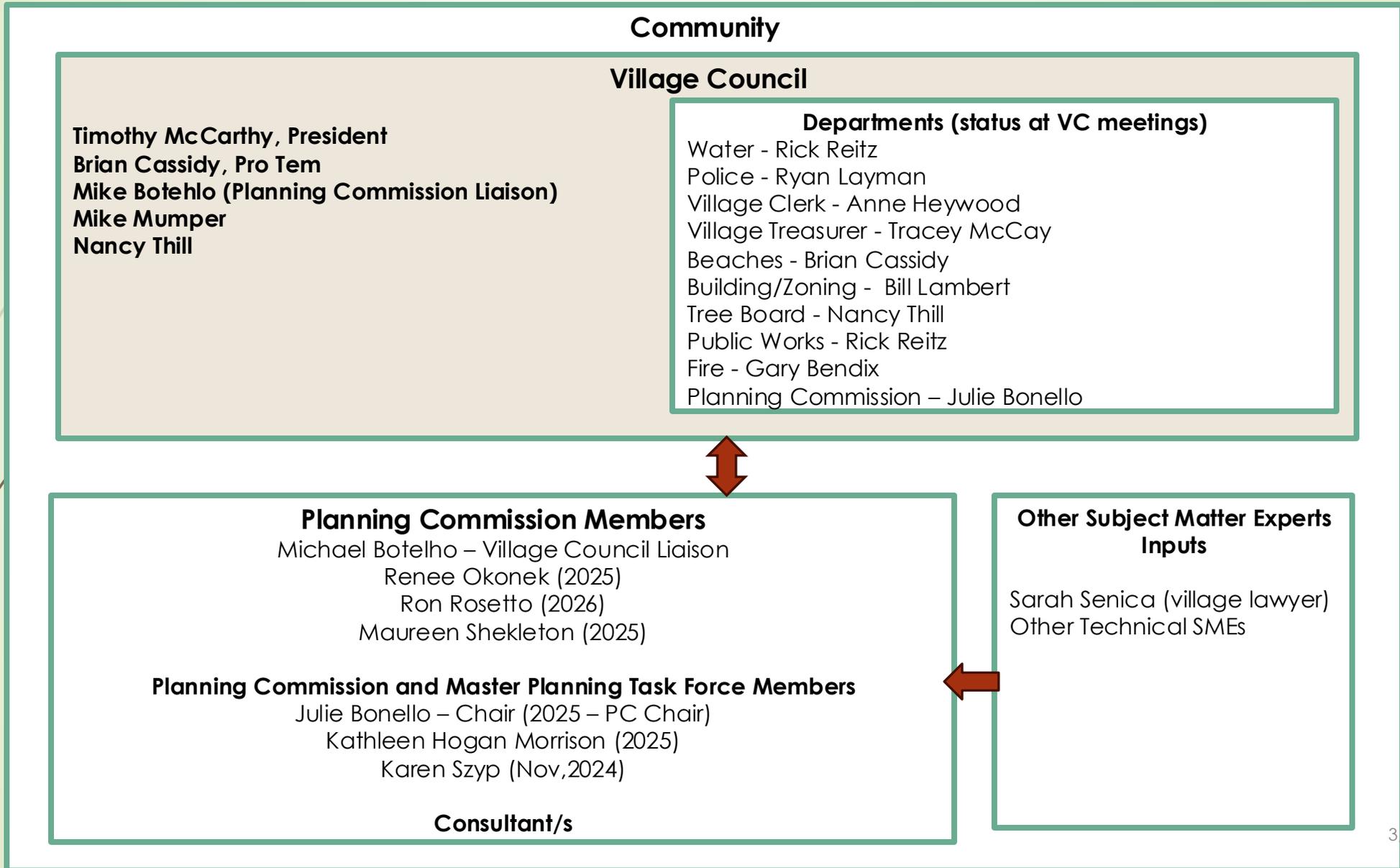
September - Oct

1. Master Plan Survey – Initial Summary

- ▶ Strong Community Response – 232 responses
 - ▶ Question: How many households responded? Can we align respondents to households?
Karen Szyp following up with Village Office
 - ▶ Continued question for next survey – respondents vs. one per household
- ▶ Rental questions not enlightening; greater depth needed for Survey 2 and Workshop.
Karen Szyp also following up on data the Village keeps or can get on rentals.
- ▶ Question 6 and 7 regarding adult and children use of services during summer months not enlightening. Rework for second survey.
- ▶ Question 8 – Need to have respondents choose from an accurate list of stops; need to know stop used vs. stop assigned.
- ▶ Question 10 - What do you like most. **Kathleen Hogan Morrison** is simplifying categories.
- ▶ Question 11 - State desired improvements. Recategorize along Village departments.
(**SWMPC**)
- ▶ The Beaches was identified as liked the most and also the category of greatest improvement request by respondents.
- ▶ More work is ongoing to summarize findings

2. Project Structure

6



2. Project Structure – Meeting Schedule

Planning Commission (TBD)

- ▶ Approves Master Plan and presents to Village Council
- ▶ Reports to the Village Council
- ▶ Provide yearly report on Master Plan
- ▶ Advised on capital improvement plans
- ▶ Develops and submits action on zoning ordinance amendments
- ▶ Determines the Planning Commission Charter and Bylaws
- ▶ Appointed community members for a term, meeting at least quarterly

Master Planning Task Force

- ▶ Short term or Advisory Task Force for the development or update of Master Plan
- ▶ Reports to the Planning Commission
- ▶ Develops ongoing process for maintaining and reporting on Master Plan
- ▶ Meetings twice/month

3. Planning Commission Next Steps

- Developing the Planning Commission Charter and Bylaws
 - The Michigan Planning Enabling Act (MPEA) is a statute that regulates various local planning procedures and provides duties and power to planning commissions in the state. The purpose of this act was to create a single set of procedures to follow regardless of whether planning is being done by a city, village, township, or by a county. After September 1, 2008 (the effective date of the act) the MPEA replaced the following statutes:
 - P.A. 285 of 1931, as amended, (being the Municipal Planning Act, M.C.L. 125.31 et seq.)
 - P.A. 282 of 1945, as amended, (being the County Planning Act, M.C.L. 125.101 et seq.)
 - P.A. 168 of 1959, as amended, (being the Township Planning Act, M.C.L. 125.321 et seq.)The MPEA requires a comprehensive set of bylaws for a planning commission.
- Initial Bylaw Draft – Sara Senica
- Discussion - Next Steps



Thank you

