



**Village of Ontonagon-**  
**Annual Report 2023**  
**Planning Commission**

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### **1.0 Introduction**

The Village of Ontonagon Planning Commission (Commission) functions under and has their powers and duties set forth by the Michigan Enabling Act (PA 33 of 2008).

### **2.0 Membership**

In 2023, the Planning Commission’s Membership was as follows:

William Johnson, Chair  
Deb Seid, Vice Chair  
Lyle Perry, VC  
Dorothy Sharkey, Elector  
John Hamm, Elector

### **3.0 Meetings**

The Planning Commission Meetings took place on the third Wednesday of each month at 3:30 p.m. in the Village Council Chambers at 315 Quartz Street. In 2023, the Commission met in every month. The Commission held no special meetings in 2023. In 2024, the commission will continue to meet on the third Wednesday of each month at 3:30 p.m. All meetings are held in compliance with the Open Meetings Act (PA 267 of 1976).

- The Planning Commission held (12) regular meetings between April 1, 2022 and March 31, 2023.

### **4.0 Responsibilities**

The Planning Commission basic duties and responsibilities include the following:

- Pursue redevelopment and development.
- Update and maintain the Village of Ontonagon Master Plan in accordance with the MPEA.
- Review zoning requests.

### **5.0 Planning Commission Activity in 2023**

In the past year the Commission has reviewed multiple applications for variances, begun reviewing the Village Master Plan and reviewed development plans for new business in the Village. Members participated in Redevelopment Ready Community programming, participated in MSU OMA training and members also took the MSU Citizen Planner classes.

### **6.0 Planning Commission 2024 Commission Goals**

In the coming year the Commission plans to continue efforts to support redevelopment Village wide while continuing to establish consistent application of the Village's Hybrid Zoning ordinance. The Commission will also participate in the continuous updating of the Village Master Plan.