



Village of Ontonagon-
Annual Report 2025
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 2025, 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 2025, the Commission met every month. The Commission held no special meetings in 2025.

In 2026, 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 (10) regular meetings between April 1, 2024 and March 31, 2025.

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 2025

Planning Members attended the training(s) below in 2025:

- OMA Training by Brad Neumann MSU Extension
Attendees: Rebholz, Seid & Sharkey
- Short Term Rental in Michigan by Tyler Augst MSU Extension
Attendees: Rebholz, Seid & Sharkey

The Planning Commission completed the update of Master Plan.

Signed new lease with Polaris for the EV charging station in the downtown area.

Granted permits for SONCO Ambulance building.

Granted permits for O'Reilly Auto Parts store.

6.0 Planning Commission 2026 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.