

Baraga Township Planning Commission

SPECIAL MEETING and PUBLIC HEARING MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, September 17, 2025, 6:00 PM

Baraga Township Hall, 13919 State HWY M38, Baraga, MI 49908

1. Meeting called to order at 6:00 PM by Chairperson Lozier.
2. Roll Call: Present - Nick Lozier, Amy Tikkanen, Dianne Koskinen, Jerry Dompier
Absent – Dale Parkila
Chairperson Lozier declares that a quorum is present.
Also present – Bill Olsen, Jason McCarthy, 5 public
3. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
4. September 17, 2025, special meeting and public hearing agenda
Discussion and additions to the agenda: None
A motion was made by Tikkanen, supported by Dompier, to approve the agenda for the September 17, 2025, special meeting and public hearing as presented.
Ayes: All in favor Nays: none
5. July 9, 2025, regular meeting
Discussion: none
A motion was made by Dompier, supported by Tikkanen, to approve the minutes of July 9, 2025, regular meeting as presented.
Ayes: All in favor Nays: none
6. Public Comment on Agenda Items Only – none
7. Correspondence - none
8. Old Business – none
9. New Business -
 - A. Public Hearing #091725-1. To consider additional comments on the proposed draft Baraga Township Master Plan Update 2025. Public made several corrections including the address for KBOCC, page 32, page 35. Campground “standards” were suggested and will be addressed in a separate document. Zoning regulations will be addressed after the Master Plan Update 2025 is accepted by the Township. Jason McCarthy gave a synopsis of the update process and presented highlights. Jason McCarthy offered to develop a recreation plan. Chairperson Lozier declared Public Hearing #091725-1 CLOSED.

B. Baraga Township Master Plan Update 2025 Adoption Resolution #091725-1

A motion was made by Koskinen, supported by Tikkanen, to adopt the Baraga Township Master Plan Update 2025 and present it to the Baraga Township Board for resolution of concurrence with minor edits #091725-1.

Ayes: All in favor

Nays: none

C. Accessory housing unit – Bill Olsen informed the Planning Commission about a proposed mother-in-law suite at 13043 Bayshore Drive, pending permits.

D. Acciacca boat ramp – tabled for October meeting.

E. Permit payments - tabled for October meeting.

10. Public Comment (all other items) – none

11. General Planning Commission Discussion – Community Knowledge Mapping Session
Ojibwa Casinos Conference Room, Wednesday, October 15, 3:30–5:30 pm.

12. Adjournment

A motion was made by Tikkanen, supported by Dompier, to adjourn at 6:42 PM.

Ayes: All in favor

Nays: none

The next regular meeting of the Baraga Township Planning Commission will be held on Wednesday, October 8, 2025, at 6:00 PM.