

Approved Minutes
Port Sanilac Planning Commission
May 26, 2026 7:00 p.m.
Bark Shanty Community Center
Port Sanilac, MI 48469

Determine Quorum: Yes

Call to Order by Chair Mary Simon at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Larry O'Keefe

Roll Call: Eric Bruss _X_, Don Diem _X_, Tom Jackson _X_, Marcie Kolakovich _X_, John Rogers _X_, Mary Simon _X_, Jim Sroka, Ex-Officio member _X_,
Larry O'Keefe, Zoning Administrator __

Guests: Barbara Merriman, Art Schlichting, George McNiven

Additions to the Agenda: Addition under New Business – Annual Report

Approve the Agenda: Motion by John Rogers, seconded by Tom Jackson. **Motion carried**

Public Comment: Barbara Merriman, Loft Building so close to the property line. Her fence is ready to collapse with them digging the footings. Residential homes in the Central Business District lose all their ordinance legal rights.

Approve Minutes:

April 28, 2026 PC Meeting: Motion by Mary Simon, seconded by: John Rogers. **Motion carried**

Minutes table back, to be reviewed at next meeting

April 28, 2026 Workshop Meeting with Rowe: Motion by __ seconded by: __ Motion carried

May 4, 2026 Special Meeting: Motion by __ Seconded by: __ Motion carried

Ex Officio Report: was presented by Jim Sroka

Zoning Administrator Report: was presented by Larry O'Keefe

18 North Lake Street, Property owner George McNiven, request a permit to construct a deck that is pending Planning Commission review, concerned regarding Egress, may need to request a Variance.

Old Business:

Short Term Rentals – no new applications

a. Current Status on violations:

135 N Ridge Road-Reported to Ordinance Enforcement; owner has not completed Renewal Application, Code Enforcement sending out a letter of in violation.

437 S. Lake Street-Reported to Ordinance Enforcement: has been notified of Zoning violations, and the need to clean up the yard.

b. Zoning Ordinance update: Public Hearing to be held on May 28, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

2. Rowe update - continue working on ordinances with Wade Burkholder from Rowe

a. Manufactured vs Modular home ordinance updated language

b. PUD ordinance update, Article 19

New Business:

1. **Coastal Hazards workshop:** Project Interest Form submitted for North Park, will be notified later this fall if selected. Public project to save public land from erosion.
2. **Sign up for June 19th or 20th** - Fireworks Collection at the stop light and four corners

Upcoming Scheduled Meetings:

Public Hearing re: Short Term Rental Ordinance: May 28, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

Rowe Workshop: Tentative date of June 23, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

Planning Commission next meeting: June 23, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting Adjourned: by Chair Mary Simon at 8:19 p.m.

Prepared by Barbara Joslin, Clerk