

**ISABELLA COUNTY
PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**

April 9, 2026

Isabella County
Commission on Aging Building
6:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Approval of Agenda
4. Minutes from January 8, 2026, Organizational Meeting
5. Minutes from January 8, 2026, Regular Meeting
6. Liaison reports (ZBA, Parks & Recreation, Board of Commissioners)
7. Township Concerns (Township Board Representatives)
8. Public Comment
9. Public Hearings
 - a. Special Use Permit #26-01 – Hopewell Ranch – Sherman Township
10. Other Business (Non-Public Hearings)
 - a. Site Plan Review #26-01 – North Country Metals – Vernon Township
 - b. Site Plan Review #26-02 – DTE Energy – Isabella Township
 - c. Notice of Master Plan Distribution (Various Gratiot County Municipalities)
 - d. Osceola County Master Plan Adoption
 - e. Chippewa Township Notice of Intent
 - f. Lincoln Township Farmland Agreements
 - g. Union Township Farmland Agreement
11. Public Comment
12. Staff comments
13. Planning Commissioner’s comments
14. Adjournment

*PUBLIC COMMENT: The Planning Commission welcomes input and comments from the public. When recognized by the Chairperson, please come forward to the table in front, sign in and state your name and address for the record before providing the Commission with your comment. Please limit your comment to 3 minutes. The Board will not engage in immediate discussion or deliberation of a comment. There could be questions for clarification. If warranted, the Chairperson may assign any topic or issues to a Commission Subcommittee and/or Staff for review and more information.

**2026
PLANNING COMMISSION
MEMBERS**

Kelly Bean CHAIR
Tim O'Neil VICE-CHAIR
Ann Silker SECRETARY
Steve Swaney
Phillip Vogel
Kyle Camp
Russ Hyde
Adam Brookens
Lisa Hoisington

The selection of officers for 2026 takes place at the 2026 Organizational meeting on January 8, 2026.

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COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REPRESENTATIVE
Steve Swaney

COUNTY ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
REPRESENTATIVE
Phillip Vogel

COUNTY PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
REPRESENTATIVE
Ann Silker

MISSION

To ensure responsive, effective, and quality service; while promoting responsible positive growth, balancing the need for development, conservation, recreation, transportation, and protecting the environment. While promoting coordinated and effective planning practices within Isabella County.

MASTER LAND USE PLAN VISION

To create an atmosphere in which all communities can work toward mutually supportive objectives to create a livable setting offering the benefits of rural character, an agricultural economy, a pristine environment, coupled with social and economic opportunity, urban amenities, affordable housing, adequate infrastructure, and managed growth.



2026 MEETING SCHEDULE

January 8, 2026 – Organizational Meeting
January 8, 2026 – Regular Meeting
April 9, 2026 July 9, 2026 October 8, 2026
January 14, 2027 – Organizational Meeting
January 14, 2027 – Regular Meeting

The January regular meetings begin immediately following the organizational meetings.

***Should anyone wishing to attend a meeting require any special accommodations due to physical disability or limitation, please contact the Planner/Zoning Administrator at the number above in advance so that an appropriate accommodation can be arranged.