



Tonight's Agenda

Project Update

- What's have we done so far?
- What next?

What is a Master Plan?

Group Visioning Activity

- Goals and Objectives
- Priorities



What Are We Doing?

Update the Peaine and St. James Twp. Master Plan

What About All The Work That's Been Accomplished Already?

- Last full master plan update: 2006
- Utilize and build upon all the work and revisions that the planning commission has been working on
- Utilize and build upon the work of the Island Institute
- Utilize and build upon the public/private initiatives already accomplished and underway



What We're Proposing

A Unique Master Planning Effort
Planning for a <u>Resilient</u> Beaver Island
Learning, Adapting & Thriving

A different way of viewing the master plan process, focusing on the cooperative preparation, adaptation and the creative development of community systems in the face of changing conditions and circumstances.

What Have We Done So Far?

Public Meeting: August, 31 2016
Planning Commission Meetings

Individual & Group Meetings

- Beaver Island Association
- Preservation Association of Beaver Island
- Beaver Island Public School
- Chamber of Commerce
- Beaver Island Transportation Authority
- Young Adults
- Housing & Real Estate Professionals
- DNR
- Central Michigan University
- Little Traverse Conservancy
- Little Traverse Bay Band of Odawa Indians
- Nature Conservancy
- Charlevoix County
- Recycling Center







What is a Master Plan?

A formal assessment of the strengths, weaknesses and concerns of the community

Through civic engagement, it's the expressed vision for the future of the community

A formal policy guide or "blueprint" for community development

A flexible document - should respond to changing conditions, innovations, new information





How is a Master Plan used?

Basis for land use regulation (e.g., zoning)

Guides decisions on development and public capital improvements

Provides support and improves eligibility for potential projects

- Grant Requests
- Millage
- Public/Private Partnerships

Provides goals, objectives for polices, actions and programs for <u>everyone</u>







Positions community to meet future challenges

Project Timeline

August

- Review existing documents
- Meet with community stakeholders and public kick-off meeting

September 13th

- Present data on the island
- Stakeholder meetings for vulnerability assessment

September 26th & 27th

- Review existing master plan
- Stakeholder meetings for vulnerability assessment

October 10th & 11th

Master Plan Workshop

- Review vision, goals and objectives
- Guest Speak on Housing-Sarah Lucas, Networks Northwest



Project Timeline, Continued



November

- Summary of draft plan available on project website
- Present draft goals and objectives, future land use to the public (open house)
- Implementation matrix

November

Special study session to edit and revise the plan

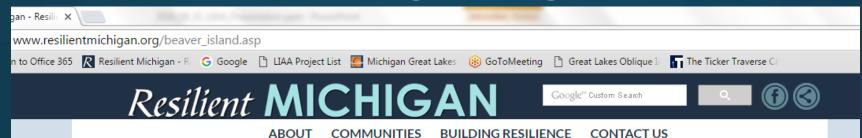
November

- Present public comments to the planning commission
- Joint Board/PC Meeting to Begin 63 day public comment period

January

- Hold public hearing(s)
- Adopt Master Plan

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RESILIENT BEAVER ISLAND

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At 54 square miles, Beaver Island is the largest island in Lake Michigan, located about 30 miles offshore from the City of Charlevoix in northwest Lower Michigan. The island's rich history includes Native American and European settlers and industries such as fishing and logging. Today, it is a popular tourist destination.

The purpose of the Resilient Beaver Island project is to engage the residents of Peaine Township and St. James Township in the development of a new joint master plan for the two island jurisdictions. Much like a blueprint, a master plan serves as the public's guide for the development of a community and the management of its resources. Although portions of the current joint master plan have been updated throughout the years, the last comprehensive update to the master plan was completed several years ago.

"Resilience" is a measure of the sustained ability of a community to utilize available resources to respond to, withstand, and/or recover from adverse situations. Communities that are resilient are able to learn from adversity and adopt quickly to change, both of which are hallmarks of successful communities today. The Resilient Beaver Island planning process will address a wide range of concerns such as natural resource preservation, efforts to build the local economy, and ways to manage the impacts of climate variability.

Most of the resources for the Resilient Beaver Island effort are being provided through the Traverse City-based nonprofit Land Information Access Association (LIAA), which is also managing the project. Most of the project costs will be covered by a grant provided to LIAA by the Michigan Coastal Zone Management Program, Office of the Great Lakes, Department of Environmental Quality.















Group Exercise

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LIAA

Step One. Walk around to each station and review vision, goal and objectives statements

Step Two. Add "bright ideas" to each station



Step Three. For each station:



A. Five Gold Stars – Absolute yes, we must do this



B. Five Blue Stars – Yes, I support this / I think we should pursue this



C. Five Red Circles – No, I don't support this / I don't think we should pursue this



D. Two Big Gold Stars – This is most important / top priority



Lunch Speaker

Sarah Lucas
Regional Planning Department Manager
Network Northwest

Dalwhinnie's 12:00