

Boards and Commissions



Searching for...

Looking for energetic, enthusiastic individuals who have a desire to work as part of a team to enhance the quality of life in the East Tawas community and advise the East Tawas City Council on decisions in specific areas of interest.

Qualifications...

City residents with a few hours to spare, who possess: interpersonal skills, the ability to make decisions, an interest in our community and a dedication to the continued growth and prosperity of East Tawas.

Are you interested? ...

We have an opportunity for you! Read about our various boards and commissions and see what might best fit you.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

The Zoning Board of Appeals reviews and decides on appeals, variances, permits and special approvals regarding zoning in the City.

PLANNING COMMISSION

Help shape East Tawas' future! We're looking for individuals focused on progress and development. The Planning Commission is responsible for the City's Master Plan and making recommendations on the City's zoning regulations.

TAX INCREMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY

The Tax Increment Finance Authority (TIFA) have their own plan and focus on progress and development in the downtown area and along US-23 on the waterfront. TIFA captures tax revenue for this district and funds are used for projects, updates and maintenance within the district. We look for individuals with ownership within the district to sit on this board which meets six times per year.

HOUSING COMMISSION

With the help of an Executive Director, the East Tawas Housing Commission manages the Bay Park Towers, two federally subsidized low-income housing developments in the City.

BOARD OF REVIEW

We need people who are resourceful at analyzing a situation and making a fair evaluation. The Board of Review works with the City Assessor and meets three times a year to hear appeals regarding property assessments in East Tawas.

BROWNFIELD REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

The Brownfield Redevelopment Authority was established to assist properties within the City that may require environmental cleanup due to previous uses such as gas stations and vehicle repair shops. These properties may be eligible for funding from the State of Michigan through the Brownfield Redevelopment. The Authority meets annually in the first quarter of the year to discuss potential properties for Brownfield Redevelopment and to assist potential developers of Brownfield properties.

URBAN DEVELOPMENT ACTION GRANT

The City has funding available through the Urban Development Action Grant Reuse Program for low interest loans for commercial development that create jobs. The UDAG board accepts and reviews loan applications for commercial development and makes recommendations to the City Council for approval based on required criteria. The UDAG board meets annually in the first quarter of the year and when development applications are received

PARK BOARD

If you like the outdoors, we've got the Board for you, it's all about parks, community facilities and playgrounds. The Park Board guides the recreational needs of the community.

APPLY TODAY!

Serving on a Board or Commission is well worth the investment of time. The term for most boards and commissions is three years. Many of the boards meet on an as-needed basis, while others hold monthly meetings. If you would like to learn more about a particular board or commission, make plans to attend an upcoming meeting. Scheduled meetings of the various boards and commissions are depicted on the City's calendar, which is located on the City's website (www.easttawas.com). Meeting agendas and minutes can also be found on and downloaded from the website.

How to apply: Simply complete an application, which can be filled out via an easy-to-use interactive form, on the City's website. You can also stop by City Hall to pick up an application anytime between 8am-5pm Monday through Friday, or call the Clerk's office at 989-362-6161 to have an application mailed.

Appointment timeline: Most board and commission terms expire on December 31st. City Council typically begins advertising for board and commission vacancies in the fall and makes appointments in late October/early November to fill the upcoming expiring terms. Inquire at the Clerk's office for a current list of vacancies.

QUESTIONS OR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION?

Call the Clerk's office at 989-362-6161 or send us an e-mail at cityhall@easttawas.com