

May 13 PC Meeting Minutes

Cato Township Planning Commission

Meeting Minutes

May 13, 2026

The Cato Township Planning Commission met for a regular meeting on Wednesday, May 13, 2026, at the Lakeview Community Center.

Meeting called to order:

Chairman Main called the meeting to order at 6:00pm with the Pledge of Allegiance. Members present:

Main expires 12-2028

Rasmussen expires 12-2028

Behrenwald expires 11-2028

Cumings expires 12-2026

Striker expires 12-2026

Dave Kelsey

Others present:

1 members of public

Approval of Agenda:

Striker motioned and Rasmussen supported to approve the meeting agenda as presented. All in favor, motion carried

March 2026 Meeting Minutes:

Main motioned and Rasmussen supported to approve the March meeting minutes as presented.

All in favor, motion carried.

Public Comment-Agenda Items Only:

Main opened public comment.

-None

Main closed public comment for agenda items.

Zoning Administrator Update:

March/April:

-multiple New builds approved, and one demo

-1 Short term rental

Township Board Update:

-Approved road Contract \$113,000

-Bail& Tamarack 3 way stop

-Saterlee road out by the sewer ponds not approved

-Fire contract fine

-Turkey Farm, Nothing the PC can do because of MDARD

-June 1 Budget workshop

-Road rating 3.1 in 2022, and in 2025 4.8 and the boards goal is 5.0

Public hearing 1:

Special Land use Permit for Adult Foster Care at 7363 Edgar Rd.

Comments-

None

Main Made a motion to approve the special land use permit for the Adult Foster Care Home For Erin Vining and Striker Second.

Roll call: All Yes

Public hearing 2:

Amendments to township zoning ordinance

Comments-

None

Commissioners discussed lake lots and camping permits within the camping permit section.

Camping within a parcel or connected parcel.

Main Made a motion to approve the changes to the amendments to the board with the changes to the township board zoning ordinance 3.43, 1, J, 5 Second by Cumings

Roll call: All Yes

Public hearing 3:

Ordinance to regulate Data and Cryptocurrency Mining Facilities

Commission discussed changes to the districts allowed within the ordinance

Damage to drain tile must be repaired within 7 days

Roll call:

Yes- Main, Striker, Behrenwald, Cumings

No- Rasmussen

Old Business:

None

New Business:

-None

Public Comment:

-None

Main Closed Public Comment

Next Meeting:

Next Regular meeting scheduled for July 15, 2026.

Adjournment:

There being no further business to come before the commission, a motion was made by Main and supported by Striker to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Recorded by:

Jacob Cumings

Commissioner, Cato Township Planning Commission