

Michigan Township Services

Professional, Affordable, Municipal Services

- Michigan Township Services was formed in 1980 as a public service company designed to supply municipal governments in western Michigan with trained, State certified, professional building, electrical, plumbing and mechanical inspectors and permit administration on an as-needed basis, paid exclusively by permit fees.
- Zoning Ordinance Administration Services were added soon after.
- In 1995, Michigan Township Services began to offer community planning services to a growing list of municipal clients.

RECENT CLIENTS . . .

- **Columbia Township,**
Van Buren County
Zoning Ordinance Update
- **City of Fennville,**
Allegan County
*Master Plan Update
Zoning Ordinance-Re-write*
- **Clyde Township,**
Allegan County
*Master Plan Update
Zoning Ordinance -Re-write*
- **Trowbridge Township,**
Allegan County
Zoning Ordinance-Re-write
- **Waverly Township,**
Van Buren County
Master Plan Update
- **Pine Grove Township,**
Van Buren County
Zoning Ordinance Re-write

Michigan Township Services

Professional Municipal Staff . . .

Serving Township, City, Village and County Governments

AICP certified community planner

**Certified Flood-plain
Manager (CFM)**

**Wetland Ordinance
administrator**

**Watershed management
planner**

**Stormwater operator-
Construction sites**

**Stormwater operator-
Industrial sites**

**Transportation planner
Soil Erosion & Sedimen-
tation Control agent**

**Economic development
planner**

**Strategic development
planner**

**Parks & recreation planner
Historian**

Zoning Administrator

**Certified Citizen Planner
Farmland Preservation Board
Member**

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COMMUNITY MASTER PLANNING & ZONING ORDINANCE UPDATING SERVICES



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**Professional Planning Staff
for Your Community**

Michigan Township Services ***Planning Services:***

MASTER LAND USE PLANS, COMPREHENSIVE PLANS & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Your Planning Commission directs and manages the development of the community's master plan.

Michigan Township Services provides training for your planning commissioners to organize, prepare for and participate in public visioning sessions; and assisting them by collecting current information about population, housing, commerce and existing land uses and put into a readable format.

We assist your planning commission in developing surveys and in finding out what your community's vision is of itself and where you want to go.

We can also help with:

- *Watershed Management*
- *Floodplain Management*
- *Well-head Protection*
- *Farmland Preservation*

Michigan Township Services ***Zoning Services:***

ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS/REVISIONS & RE-ORGANIZATION

Each amendment to the zoning ordinance can have unintended consequences. Over time, any zoning ordinance can develop inconsistencies. In 2006 the state legislature changed many of the rules.

Michigan Township Services assists planning commissions review, revise and even re-write ordinances to make the text user friendly. A clear ordinance is easier for the public to understand and for the zoning official to administer fairly.

PLANNING COMMISSION & ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS TRAINING

Public Act 110 of 2006, the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act, made major changes in the way your Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals are required to do business.

Michigan Township Services provides up-to-date training for your boards and commissions.

Michigan Township Services ***Community Development:***

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIES & DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT

Each community is like a business in that in order to succeed you must plan for success. We can help you identify your assets and resources, figure out how you fit into the area economy and select where and how you want to develop. We then help you select the best strategies for getting there.

HIGHWAY CORRIDOR PLANS

Having conflicting issues between developments and highway commissions? We can help.

HISTORIC DISTRICT SURVEYS

Michigan Township Services is experienced in locating historic resources either for preservation districts or for tourism and in documenting historic structures.

PARKS & RECREATION PLANS

These are a great opportunity for getting neighboring municipalities together for cooperative success. We can create a plan that will make your community grant eligible.