Village of Black River
Planning Board
Agenda
July 14, 2026
6:30 P.M.

- Call to order
- Review of agenda
- Review & approve meeting minutes: **June 9, 2026**
- Review correspondence & communications:
- Public comments:
- Report from Code Enforcement Officer:
- New Business:
    a. Steven Lillie — Re: Fence Permit Application
- Old Business:
- Comments from Planning Board members:
- Adjournment

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June 9, 2026
6:30 PM

Present:
Chairman Stafford
Member Morgia
Member Benson
Member Hayes
Member Mace
Member Kowalick

Absent:
Member Shepard

Chairman Stafford called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

The minutes from the May 12, 2026 meeting were reviewed. Motion made by Member Benson to approve the minutes, second motion made by Member Kowalick. Motion carried unanimously.

Correspondence and Communications: None

Public Comments: NONE

Code Enforcement Report: Code Enforcement Officer Ault was present and his report was as follows: The Azah project is progressing towards obtaining the last several permits required. A few permits issued in the month of May along with ongoing lawncare and maintenance violations and some violations for unregistered vehicles.

Old Business: None

New Business: Eric Wattan Re: Old Library project

Mr. Watton presented the Board with his vision and plan for the old library located at 102 Maple St. Mr.Watton stated he purchased the property approximately 3 years ago. He plans to start repairing the roof of the structure initially to prevent further water damage and the outside of the building to make it look more presentable and eye appealing as part of the Village. He is the owner and operator of Valley Peetza in Chaumont and will open his second location here. There is much work to be done, it will be a fairly lengthy process as the majority of the work he will be doing independently and as monetary means are available. He will continue to meet with Code Enforcement Officer Ault to obtain proper permits and to move forward in compliance with zone and code expectations and guidelines.

Local Law #2: Home Occupation 175-16 page175.2 paragraph c has been amended and passed. Next step is recodification to the code of the Village of Black River

Member Benson mentioned that the Azah project taking place next to property he owns at 126 Leray St. is pushing debris, rocks, and landfill crossing over onto his property line. Code enforcement officer Ault is going to inspect the project and review property lines etc. He will follow up with the Bensons as he gets the necessary information and does an inspection.

Comments from the Board: None

The next Planning Board meeting is scheduled for July14, 2026

A motion was made by Board Member Hayes, seconded by Board Member Mace to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 PM. The motion was carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Josephine Yawger
Deputy Clerk