

Zoning Administrator Report

September 2017

Zoning Permits/Actions:				
Address	Parcel Number	Owner Name	Permit #	Improvement
07771 Pincherry Rd.	007-125-008-10	Mike Shumway	17/09/01	70'x70' Horse Barn

Land Divisions

One application was received late in the month that was incomplete. I am awaiting the balance of the information prior to proceeding with the application. I have met with one of the property owners to discuss the zoning requirements and the minimum parcel sizes in regard to this application. The application will not result in new parcels being created but rather will result in the reconfiguration of the boundary lines of three parcels.

Nuisance Complaints

I received a complaint regarding materials strewn about on a parcel of property. I am looking into this. I also received a call regarding rats in the Bayshore area. I checked with the Health Department and they stated that if they received a written complaint they would investigate the matter. This is clearly outside of the scope of the Township Nuisance Ordinance.

Zoning Violations

Grady Graham has made progress in bringing his property into compliance with the Zoning Ordinance but is still a ways short of complying. This issue is scheduled for a District Court hearing on October 3rd at 11:00 a.m.

I have been contacted by Bob Drost regarding a restoration plan for the shoreline protection violation on the Pierce property located on Indian Trails. I will be meeting with him early in October to discuss this issue.

I have met with Mr. Featherly regarding his violation of the approved site plan for his property located at 06630 US-31 North. A letter has been prepared for mailing to Mr. Featherly with instruction as to what needs to be done to bring the property into compliance. I will be meeting with him again to work on getting this property brought into compliance.

As a result of letters sent to the owner of Toy Boxes Inc. (Ken Koss) he has decided to apply for a Special Use Permit to allow for the uses that are occurring on the property. The hearing has been scheduled for the October Planning Commission meeting.

General Zoning Issues

Traditionally, September and October are the months when permit activity tends to spike upward as builders line up work to carry them through the winter. While the number of zoning permits decreased during the month of September, I have dealt with a significant number of inquiries that should result in substantial construction projects yet this fall. Time has been spent in regard to the Sutton property, where riding arenas and barns are being contemplated. Time has also been spent with Chuck Leazier regarding options for him to display his wood crafted products. Time has been spent reviewing the file on the Toy Boxes Inc. property for the proposed special use permit. In addition to reviewing this file relevant items were pulled and copies made for the Planning Commission's October meeting.

Meetings Attended

I attended the September Township Board meeting and Planning Commission meeting.

In addition to attending the Planning Commission meeting, I reviewed the materials from Claire Karner regarding the Waterfront Regulations.

I attended one day of the Michigan Community of Mapping Professionals Conference at Boyne Mountain and attended a couple of sessions on BS&A as well as the 2020 US Census.

Other

I have spoken with Alisa Abiney regarding additional information she has made available to me on the Zoning Administrators computer through the BS&A software. I am looking forward to learning to use this material in the near future.