

WINFIELD TOWNSHIP  
MONTCALM COUNTY, MICHIGAN  
Ordinance No. 1-9-2020

At a regular meeting of the Township Board for Winfield Township held at the Township offices within the Township on January 9, 2020, at 10:30 a.m. the following Ordinance/ordinance amendment was offered for adoption by Township Board Member John Black and was seconded by Township Board Member Steve Cole.

AMENDMENTS TO THE WINFIELD TOWNSHIP ZONING  
ORDINANCE REGARDING SHORT TERM RENTALS  
AND RELATED USES AND MATTERS.

THE TOWNSHIP OF WINFIELD (the "Township") ORDAINS:

Article 1. Section 2.19 of the Winfield Township Zoning Ordinance is hereby amended to add the following definition as follows:

SHORT TERM RENTAL-Means any dwelling, condominium unit, residence or Portion thereof, in which the owner does not permanently reside and that is available For use or is used for accommodations or lodging of guest, paying a fee, rent or other compensation, for a period of less than 45 consecutive days. Alternately, short term rental means the renting or leasing of a house, condominium unit or portion thereof to the transient, traveling or vacationing public for a period of fewer than 45 consecutive days. Short term rentals are also sometimes referred to as transient rentals.

Article 2. A new and additional Section 3.26 is hereby added to the Winfield Township Zoning Ordinance as follows:

SECTION 3.26 Short Term Rentals

- A. Short term rentals (and short rental use) are prohibited within the LR-Lakeside Residential zoning district, as well as for any dwelling, condominium unit or portion thereof located within 1500 feet of a lake regardless of the zoning district.
- B. Short term rentals are allowed within the AG-Agricultural zoning district and the RR-Rural Residential zoning district subject to Subsection A above, and also subject to the following conditions and requirements

1. Such short term rentals must be registered with Winfield Township and a zoning permit must be issued by the Township before the short term rental use can commence.
2. All applicable building and fire codes must be met.
3. No short term rental can occur within 1500 feet of another pre-existing Short term rental property or within 1500 feet of a lake.

Article 3. The Remainder of the Winfield Township Zoning Ordinance is Unaffected. Except as expressly amended by this Ordinance/ordinance amendment, the rest of Winfield Township Zoning Ordinance remains unchanged and in full force and effect.

Article 4. Severability. Should a court of competent jurisdiction determine that any Portion of this Ordinance/ordinance amendment (or any portion thereof) is invalid or unconstitutional, that shall not effect the balance of this Ordinance/ordinance amendment, which shall remain in full force and effect.

Article 5. Effective Date. This Ordinance/ordinance amendment shall become effective Upon the expiration of seven (7) days after this Ordinance/ordinance amendment or a summary thereof appears in the newspaper as provided by law.

The vote to adopt this Ordinance/ordinance amendment was as follows:

YEAS: Supervisor Phyllis Larson, Clerk Colleen Stebbins, Trustee John Black, Trustee Steve Cole.

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Cathy Killinger

THIS ORDINANCE/ORDINANCE AMENDMENT IS DECLARED TO BE DULY ADOPTED.

NOTICE OF ADOPTION  
NEW ZONING AMENDMENTS

WINFIELD TOWNSHIP, MONTCALM COUNTY

On January 9, 2020, the Winfield Township Board adopted new amendments to the Winfield Township Zoning Ordinance (the "Zoning Ordinance") regarding short-term rentals. More specifically, the zoning amendments add a new definition of "short-term rentals" to Section 2.19 of the Zoning Ordinance, as well as a new Section 3.26 regarding short-term rentals, their regulation and where they are allowed. A copy of the new zoning amendments can be reviewed, inspected or purchased at the Winfield Township Offices at 15212 Howard City-Edmore Road (M-46) Amble, Michigan 49329 during normal business hours or by contacting the Winfield Township Clerk at (989)352-7448. The new zoning amendments will be effective upon the expiration of 7 days after this Notice appears in the newspaper.

Respectfully submitted by,

Colleen Stebbins  
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