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# LOGAN TOWNSHIP AUGLAIZE COUNTY, OHIO

# ZONING RESOLUTION

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# Zoning Resolution Of Logan Township Auglaize County Ohio

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#### **General Purpose**

For the purpose of promoting and protecting the public health, safety and general welfare; To regulate the area and dimensions of land, yards, and open spaces so as to secure adequate light, Air, and safety from fire, and other dangers; to protect the physical environment of the township from contamination; to protect the character of agriculture, residential, business, and manufacturing areas and to assure their orderly development; and to provide for the orderly growth and development of the lands, the Board of Trustees find it necessary, advisable, and of great benefit to the residents of the Township to provide for the division of the unincorporated area of the Township into districts of "Agricultural" and "Industrial".

This Resolution shall not prohibit the use of any land in the Township for agriculture purposes or the construction or use of buildings or structures incident to the use for agriculture purposes of the land on which such buildings or structures are located. No Zoning Certificate shall be required for any agriculture building or structure, if the land used for agricultural purposes is (5) acres or more.

#### **Zoning Resolution of Logan Township**

#### **Auglaize County Ohio**

**<u>Title:</u>** A resolution providing for the Zoning of the unincorporated areas of Logan Township, Auglaize County, Ohio, by regulating the location, size, height, and use of buildings or structures, the area and dimensions of lots and yards and the use of lands, and providing a method of administration and enforcement of this Resolution.

<u>Whereas</u>: the Board of Trustees of Logan Township, Auglaize, County, Ohio, deems it in the interest of the public health, safety, moral, and general welfare of said Township and its residents to establish a general plan of zoning for the unincorporated area of said Township;

Now therefore, be it resolved by the Board of Township trustees of Logan Township that:

#### Section l. purpose

The Board of Trustees of Logan Township and the Board of Zoning Appeals shall not prohibit the use of any land within the Township for agriculture purposes and shall not require Zoning Certificates, and shall not prohibit the construction or use of buildings or structures incident to the use agriculture purposes of the land on which such buildings or structures are located. The Board of Trustees finds it necessary and advisable, to regulate the use of land other than agricultural and the location, size and use of buildings and structures on land other than agriculture, pursuant to Section 519.01 et seq, inclusive, of the revised code of Ohio.

#### Section II Districts

For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this Resolution, the unincorporated area of Logan Township shall consist of (2) Districts, (<u>Agricultural</u> and <u>Industrial</u>), and no structures or premises shall be used and no structure shall be located, erected, or altered, except in the conformity with the regulations prescribed herein.

#### Section II (a) Agriculture district:

The "Agricultural District" shall be all of the unincorporated areas of the Township which is not within the confines of the "Industrial District". All land within the Agricultural District may be used for agricultural purposes.

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#### SECTION II (a) cont.

No zoning Certificate shall be required for the construction of buildings or structures for the use for agricultural purpose of the land on which such buildings or structures shall be located, but such exemption shall not extend to buildings or structures used as dwellings. For the purpose of Resolution, "Agriculture" shall include agriculture, farming, dairying, pasturage apiculture, horticulture, floriculture, and animal and poultry husbandry.

**PERMITTED USES:** within the Agricultural District shall be confined to:

- (1) those uses normally and customarily considered as agricultural uses
- (2) dwellings and mobile homes, in accordance with other provisions of this resolution
- (3) non-commercial parks and playgrounds
- (4) golf courses and country clubs
- (5) mobile home parks and recreational parks
- (6) all uses set forth under Section III

**PROHIBITED USES:** The following uses shall be deemed to constitute a nuisance and shall not be permitted within the Agricultural District:

- (1) Manufacturing, or storage of, explosives, gun power, or fire works, for other than sporting reasons and personal use, except upon application to and special permission by the Board of Zoning Appeals.
- (2) Dumping, storing, reducing, disposing of, burning garbage, refuse, scrap metal, rubbish, offal or dead animals, or other poisons or toxic materials or industrial waste, except such as result from incidental normal and proper use of the premises, unless such dumping is done at a place provided by the Township Trustees for such specific purpose, and said Township Trustees have given the privilege to inspect and make the necessary regulations for the operation.
- (3) Junk yards, automobile grave yards, or places for the outside collection of scrap metal, paper, rags, glass or junk for salvage or storage purposes, or for dismantling used vehicles, for profit or business, and for personal use unless permission is given by the Board of Zoning Appeals upon proper application being made therefore.
- (4) Hospitals and Sanitariums for drug or liquor addicts, insane or mental cases.
- (5) Acid manufacture.

(6) Acetylene gas manufacture or industrial storage of acetylene in access of fifteen (15) pounds per square inch.

# **PROHIBITED USE:** Continued

- (7) Turpentine, varnish, or paint manufacturing or refining.
- (8) Outside storage of more then one (1) unlicensed motor vehicle shall be prohibited.
- (9) Mobile homes not connected to sewage and water system approved by the Auglaize County Board of Health shall be prohibited unless the same has been converted to a business use and is located on the place where the business is located and an applicable Zoning Certificate has been granted
- (10) The use of semi- trailers, mobile homes, trailers or other like vehicles for the purpose of storing shall be prohibited.

# SECTION II (b) INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT :

The Industrial District of Logan Township shall be defined as that area of land extending fifteen hundred feet (1500) on the Northwest and Southeast sides of the R.J. Corman Railway right-of-way and extending Northeasterly and Southwesterly in Sections 10, 11, 12, 1, 2, and 36.

# PERMITTED USES WITHIN THE "INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT" SHALL INCLUDE:

- (1) All those uses permitted within the "Agriculture District".
- (2) All those uses set forth under Section Ill. "Retail and Entertainment".
- (3) Wholesaling, warehousing, storage bottling enterprises, and sales yards.
- (4) Industrial and manufacturing establishments.

Prohibited uses shall include all those "Prohibited Uses" as set forth in Section II (a)

# SECTION III ENTERTAINMENT AND RETAIL.

Nothing contained herein, unless specifically prohibited herein, shall be construed to prohibit the use of any land for the construction of a building or reconstruction, change, alteration maintenance, enlargement or use of any building for mercantile, retail, drugstore, hotel, restaurant, home

occupations, service station, repair garages, professional offices, places of entertainment and other public and semi-public uses including churches, schools, libraries, museums, parks and playgrounds; provided, however, that the Zoning Certificates are applied for and granted to assure conformance with lot area requirements and to assure adequate parking and delivery areas.

The use of a personal dwelling not required outside alteration or enlargement for any of the uses of this section shall be exempt for the requirement of Zoning Certificate.

#### SECTION III (a) ADULT BUSINESSES

In addition to complying with all regulations within the district where they are located, all Adult Entertainment Businesses shall comply with the following criteria:

- (1) No Adult Entertainment Business shall be permitted in a location which is within fifteen hundred feet (1500') of another adult entertainment business.
- (2) No Adult Entertainment Business shall be permitted in a location which is within one thousand feet (1000') of any church, of any public or private school, any park, any playground, or any social facility or neighborhood center.
- (3) No Adult Entertainment Business shall be permitted in a location which is within five hundred feet (500') of any resident or boundary or any residential district.
- (4) No Adult Entertainment Business shall be permitted in any location which is within five hundred feet (500') of any boundary of any residential district in a local unit of Government abutting the Township.

For the purpose of this section, certain words and/or terms have the following meaning:

<u>Adult Entertainment Business</u>: An adult book store, adult motion picture theater, adult drive-in motion picture theater, or any adult entertainment establishment as defined by this Resolution.

Adult Book Store: An establishment which utilizes 15% (fifteen percent) or more of it's retailing area for the purpose of retail sale or rental; or for the purpose of display by coin or slug-operated; or electronically or mechanically controlled still or motion picture machines, projectors, or other image-producing devices; or both, books, magazines, other periodical, films, tapes and cassettes which are distinguished by their emphasis on adult material as defined in this Resolution.

<u>Adult Motion Picture Theater:</u> An enclosed motion picture theater which is regularly used or utilized 15% (fifteen percent) or more of its total viewing time for presenting material distinguished or characterized by emphasis on matter depicting, describing or related to adult material as defined by this Resolution.

<u>Adult Motion Picture Drive-in:</u> An open air drive-in theater which is regularly used or utilizes 15% (Fifteen percent) or more of its total viewing time for presenting material distinguished or characterized by emphasis on matter depicting, describing or related to adult material as defined in this Resolution.

<u>Adult Only Entertainment Establishment</u>: An establishment where the patron directly or indirectly is charged a fee; where the establishment features entertainment or services which constitute adult material as defined in this chapter; or which features exhibitions, dance routines, or gyrational choreography or persons totally nude, topless, bottomless, female impersonators, or similar entertainment or services which constitute adult material.

<u>Adult Material</u>: Any book, magazine, newspaper, pamphlet, poster, print, picture, slide, transparency, figure, image, description, motion picture film, phonographic recording or tape, other tangible thing, or any service capable or arousing through sight, sound, or touch and:

Which material is distinguished or characterized by emphasis on matter displaying, describing, or representing sexual activity, masturbation, sexual excitement, nudity, bestiality, or human bodily functions of elimination, or which service is distinguished or characterized by emphasis on sexual activity, masturbation, sexual excitement, nudity, bestially, or human bodily functions of elimination?

Bottom less: less than full opaque covering of male or female genitals, pubic area, or buttocks.

**Topless:** the showing of female breasts with less than full opaque covering of any portion, thereof, below the top of the nipple.

<u>Nude or nudity</u>: the showing, presentation, or depiction of the human male or female genitals, pubic area, or buttocks with less than full opaque covering of any portion thereof; or female breast (s) with less than full, opaque covering of any portion thereof below the top of the nipple; or of the covered male genitals in a discernibly turgid state.

Sexual activity: as defined in Ohio revised code #2907.01 Sexual Conduct: as defined in Ohio revised code #2907.01 Sexual Contact: as defined in Ohio revised code #2907.01 Sexual excitement: as defined in Ohio revised code #2907.01

#### Section IV Mobile Homes Parks

Mobile home parks shall be allowed and shall be exempt from those "Building Restrictions" set forth in Section VIII, and the "Height and area Regulations" set forth in Section VIII., but shall be subject to the following:

(1) Every trailer park for mobile homes shall consist of not less than five (5) acres of land.

- (2) Every Mobile Home hereafter placed in a trailer park for Mobile Homes shall be on a lot having an area of not less than seven thousand square feet (7000') exclusive of roadways.
- (3) Each lot which a Mobile Home dwelling is placed shall have a <u>front vard</u> of not less fifteen feet (15'); a <u>side vard</u> on each side of not less than fifteen feet (15'): for a corner lot not less than twenty feet (20'): a <u>rear vard</u> of not less than twenty feet (20'), and shall provide off-street parking.
- (4) Every Mobile Home hereafter placed open a lot in a Trailer Park for Mobile Homes shall consist of not less than seven hundred square feet (700') and shall be skirted entirely enclosing the bottom.
- (5) No Mobile Home shall be placed on any lot in a Trailer Park until such time as paved roadways with a minimum paved area not less than forty feet (40') in width have been installed and completed adjacent to said lot together with street lighting and water, sewer and electrical service for said lot.
- (6) Each lot shall contain a concrete pad no smaller than the Mobile Home to be located thereon. Each concrete pad shall contain a minimum of six (6) anchors for tie downs to secure the stability of the Mobile Home.

# Section V Recreational Camping Parks

Recreational Camping Parks shall be allowed, upon application and the granting of necessary permit, by the Zoning Commission. Recreational Camping Parks shall be exempt From those other restrictions set forth in Section VII, and VIII, but shall be subject to the following.

- (1) Camping parks for temporary location of travel trailers, motor homes, or camping trailers shall consist of not less than five acres (5) of land.
- (2) Individual sites for travel trailers, motor homes, camping trailers in camping parks shall have a minimum lot size of eight hundred (800') square feet and shall be equipped with at lease one (1) electrical connection located either on the site or adjacent to the site.
- (3) Each Camping site shall have:
  - (a) Management and Maintenance office including storage facilities for grounds keeping equipment.
  - (b) A safe usable recreational area or areas conveniently located in each Camping Park and shall not be less than in area or areas than eight (8%) percent of the gross area of the Trailer Park or one (1) acre, which ever is greater.

- (c) Water system inspected and approved by the Ohio Department of Health, providing adequate pressure with appropriate water connections for domestic usage.
- (d) Toilet facilities, dumping station, and sewer approved by the appropriate Sate and Local Health Boards.
- (e) Fire extinguishers shall be provided as specified in the regulations of the Ohio Department of Health.
- (f) The storage and collection of garbage and refuse within each park shall be conducted as so to create no health hazards, rodent harborage, insect breeding areas, fire hazards, or air pollution. All garbage shall be stored in fly-tight rodent-proof containers. These containers shall be located no more than two hundred feet (200') of each site as approved by the Auglaize County Board of Health.

#### Section V l Outdoor Advertising:

For the purpose of this Resolution, and providing of regulations for outdoor advertising, an outdoor advertising or billboard shall be deemed a structure and classified as a non agricultural use, but a zoning Certificate shall not be required if said sign or billboard complies with the requirements of this Section.

(1)There shall be no restriction in regard to height and size of signs when the same are located at distance greater than one hundred and fifty (150') feet from the right-of –way line of any public road or highway.

(2) Signs, not larger than thirty two square feet (32') in area, are permitted when the use of the sign is in the direct relation to the use of the premises.

(3No outdoor advertising sign more than six square feet (6") in size shall be located within one fifty feet (150') of any intersection unless affixed to a building and not beyond or above the same more than three feet (3')

#### SECTION VII BUILDING RESTRICTIONS

- (1) No dwelling house shall be erected and no building shall be altered or used as a resident which contains less than eight hundred square feet (800') per family unit, exclusive of all basements, garages, porches, terraces and breezeways.
- (2) All dwellings shall provide off-street parking for not less than two (2) motor vehicles per family.
- (3) Mobile Homes and trailer of less than seven hundred square feet (700<sup>2</sup>) and basement residents shall be used only during such time as a resident is being constructed on the premises, said use not to exceed twelve months (12) in

duration. For the of this section, a "basement" is defined as that portion of a resident constructed below-ground and designed for the purpose of further construction for living quarters area above the top of the basement walls. Residents specifically designed for below ground construction shall <u>not</u> be considered as "basements."

- (4) All dwellings hereafter erected shall have a continuous foundation of concrete or building blocks, and be constructed of materials common to the building trades.
- (5) All wiring in dwellings hereafter erected or altered within the Township shall comply with the specifications of the National Electrical Code.
- (6) All sewage or waste disposal units shall be subject to approval by the Auglaize County Board of Health, and no Building Permit for resident dwelling shall be granted until the proper Certificate is granted by the Auglaize County Department of Health approving the propose sewage system.
- (7) Trailers and Mobile Homes of less than seven hundred square feet (700') shall be used for temporary residents only provided in Paragraph 3 above, subject to all prohibitions contained elsewhere in this Resolution, and than only upon the proper application and issuance of a Zoning Certificate.
- (8) Mobile Homes with a minimum of seven hundred square feet (700') shall be allowed as dwellings outside of trailer parks, upon application and granting of the necessary Zoning Certificate and upon the compliance with Section VIII, "Height and Regulations". All such Mobile Homes outside of Trailer Parks shall be provided with anchors and tie downs such as cast-in-place concrete "dead men" eyelets imbedded in concrete, screw augers, arrowhead anchors, or other devices for securing the stability of the Mobile Home and anchored to the real estate. All such Mobile Homes must be elevated above or rest on a concrete pad or concrete runners, they must be skirted entirely enclosing the section between the bottom of the Mobile Home and the concrete, and must have off-street parking for not less than two (2) motor vehicles.
- (9) Temporary buildings, construction trailers, and equipment and materials used in conjunction with construction work may be permitted in any district during the period construction work is in progress. Such temporary facilities shall be removed upon completion of the construction or expiration of a duly issued Zoning Permit, whichever shall occur first. Storage of such facilities or equipment beyond the completion date of the project shall require a Zoning Permit authorized under this Resolution and issued by the Zoning Inspector.
- (10) On a corner lot in any district, nothing shall be erected, placed, planted, or allowed to grow in such a manner which may materially impede or restrict vision at a height of two and one half feet (2 1/2') above the centerline grades of

the intersecting streets in the area bounded by the right-of-way of such corner lots and a line joining points along right-of-way lines fifty feet (50') from the point of intersection.

(11) All lots shall be appropriately graded to provide for adequate movement of water from structures and toward drainage swales, ditches, or any required subsurface drain. Every property owner shall be responsible for the installation and maintenance of all drainage necessary to protect their own property and the property of the adjacent lands.

# Section VIII Heights and Regulations

- (1) No part of any building or structure, except church spires, towers and antennas and except those buildings normally higher for business purposes, shall exceed forty feet (40') in height.
- (2) No building or structure, or any portion thereof, shall be erected within fifty feet (50') from the right-of-way of any State Highway and not within forty feet (40') of the right-of-way of any County or Township Road. In the event said building or structure shall be located on land bounded by intersecting roadways, this requirement shall be not less than fifty feet (50').
- (3) There shall be a minimum <u>side yard</u> and <u>rear yard</u> clearance of six feet (6'), measured from the closes point of any part of any building <u>under</u> two hundred square feet (200'). <u>No</u> Zoning Certificate shall be required for portable utility buildings not exceeding two hundred square feet (200'). There shall be a minimum side clearance of twenty (20') feet, measured from the closest point of any part of any building to the <u>side</u> lot line, and thirty (30'), measured from the closest point of any part of any building to the <u>rear</u> of the lot line.
- (4) There shall be a minimum lot area of one (1) acre, or 43,560 square feet, excluding any public right-of-way or access easement of record, for residential dwellings. All lots under five (5) acres shall have a lot depth to lot ratio that does not exceed 3 to 1. The lot width shall be measured at the required front setback. In platted accepted subdivisions the minimum lot area shall be 21,780 square feet for a single family dwellings and a minimum lot area of 10,000 square feet per family unit in multiple family dwellings.
- (5) The minimum front, rear, and side yard restrictions shall apply to all accessory buildings, ponds, pools and landscape mounds, in excess of four feet (4'). As applied to ponds, the measurement shall be made from the toe of the slope, or the high water mark of the pond, whichever is closest, to the side, front or rear set back line, as applicable

#### Section IX Zoning Certificate:

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The position of the Township Zoning Inspector is hereby created. He shall be appointed by the Board of Trustees and shall receive such compensation as the Trustees shall provide. He shall keep records of all applications for Zoning Certificates and the action taken thereon and shall enforce the Zoning Regulations. Before entering into his duties, he shall be given a bond by a bonding company of not less than \$1,000.00 nor more than \$5,000.00 as fixed by the Township Trustees.

Before constructing, changing the use of, or altering any building or structure, including accessory buildings, or changing the use of any premises, except for those matters specifically excluded in this Resolution or any amendment thereto, application shall be made to the Township Zoning Inspector and the Zoning Certificate secured. No Zoning Certificate shall be required for the construction of buildings or structures for agriculture purposes of the land of five (5) acres or more, on which such buildings or structures shall be located, but such exemption shall not extend to buildings or structures used as dwellings. The application for dwellings or non-agricultural use shall indicate the exact location of the proposed construction alteration or change of use and shall include a plot plan, showing the proposed construction, alteration or change.

No Zoning Certificate shall be required for alterations made to the inside or outside of any building when said alterations do not increase or change the square footage of the existing structure.

The Township Trustees shall annually set fees to be paid by the applicant for the issuance of the Zoning Certificate to cover inspection and maintaining records of such applications. Zoning Certificates shall be valid for a period of one (1) year prior to the commenced of construction and mush be reissued if a bona fide construction has not commenced within one (1) year of issue or reissue and further construction is intended.

# Section X Non-Conforming Uses

(1) The lawful use of any dwelling, building, or structures and of any land or premises, as existing and lawful at the time of this enactment of this Zoning Resolution or any Amendment thereto, may be continued, although such uses does not conform with such Resolution or Amendment, but if any such non-conforming use is voluntarily discontinue for one (1) year or more, any future use of said land, building or structure shall be in conformity with this Resolution.

(2)Any building or structure arranged, intended, or designed for specific non-conforming use, construction of which upon the site has been started at the time of this passage of this Resolution but not completed within one (1) year after this Resolution takes effect.

(3)Any building or structure, existing as a non-conforming use at the time this Resolution takes effect, which is destroyed by fire or elements, may, upon securing a Zoning Certificate therefore, be reconstructed and restored as previously existing providing the same is completed within twelve (12) months from the date of said destruction, and such non-conforming use recommended properly thereafter.

(4)The Board of Zoning Appeals, in an appropriate case and under its power to permit variance from the terms of the Resolution, may upon appeal permit the substitution of a specific non-conforming use in place of a different non-conforming use, upon such conditions and with such limitation as the Board shall deem in the public interest. A nonconforming use of buildings, land, or structures, shall not entitle such user to proceeding as above provided but upon the abandonment of a non-conforming use shall be deemed to have been abandoned.

(5)A building or structure, except as hereinabove provided for, size devoted to a nonconforming use at the time this Resolution takes effect may not be altered or enlarged so as to extend said non-conforming use without the approval of the Board of Zoning Appeals.

(6)Any person or corporation claming the right of operation or use as a pre-existing nonconforming use as described in this Section shall make and preserve reasonable records and other proofs of the existence of such use at the time it becomes non-conforming due to this Resolution or Amendments thereto.

#### Section XI Board of Zoning Appeals

There is hereby created a Township Board of Zoning Appeals of five (5) members who shall be residents of the unincorporated area of the Township including in the area zoned. The terms of each member shall be five (5) year beginning January 1, except that the terms of the original members shall be of such length and so arranged that the term of one (1) member will expire each year. Each member shall serve until his successor is appointed and qualified,. Vacancies shall be filled by the Board of Township Trustees and shall be for the respective unexpired terms.

The Township Board of Appeals may:

(1) Hear and decide appeals where it is alleged there is error in any order, requirement, decision, or determination made by an Administrative official in the enforcement of the Zoning Laws or this Resolution or any Amendments.

(2) Authorize, upon appeal, in specific cases, such variance from the terms of this Zoning Resolution as will not be contrary to public interest, where owing special conditions a literal enforcement of the provisions of the Resolution or any Amendments thereto will result in unnecessary hardship, and so that the spirit of the Resolution shall be observed and substantial justice done.

The Township Board of Zoning Appeals shall organize and adopt rules in accordance with the provisions of this Zoning Regulation. Meeting of the Board of Appeals shall be held at the call of the chairman, and at such other times as the Board of Appeals may determine. The chairman, or in his absent, the acting chairman, may administer oaths and the Township Board of Zoning Appeals may compel the attendance of witnesses. All meetings of the Board of Zoning Appeals shall be

opened to the public. The Board shall keep minutes of its proceedings showing the vote of member upon each question, or if absent or failing to vote indicating such fact, and shall keep records of its examinations and other official actions, all of which shall be immediately filed in the office of the Board of Township Trustees and shall be a public record.

Appeals of the Board of Zoning Appeals may be taken by any person aggrieved or by an officer of the Township affected by any decision of the Administrative Officer or Zoning Inspector. Such appeal shall be taken within twenty (20) days after the decision by filing with the officer from whom the appeal is taken and with the Board of Zoning Appeals a notice appeal or written statement specifying the grounds thereof. The officer from whom the appeal is taken shall forthwith transmit to the Township Board of Zoning Appeals all the papers constituting the record upon which the action appealed from was taken.

The party appealing to the Board shall deposit with the clerk of the Board a fee which shall annually be set by the Township Trustees to cover the expenses of the notice and transmission of the papers incident to appeal. If a verbatim record is desired by appellant, he shall furnish the Court Reporter and bear the expenses of typing said record.

The Township Board of Zoning Appeals shall fix a reasonable time for the hearing of the appeal, given ten (10) days notice to the parties in interest, and decide the same within thirty (30) days after it is submitted. Upon the hearing, any party member may appear in person or by attorney. Any person adversely affected by a decision of the Township Board of Zoning Appeals may appeal to the Court of Common Pleas of Auglaize County, on the ground that such decision was unreasonable or unlawful.

The parties in interest who shall be notified of the hearing on appeal to the Township Board of Zoning Appeals shall include; (a) the applicant for the Zoning Certificate; (b) the person aggrieved who appealed to the Board; (c) such other individual or individuals as the Board shall resolve, (d) together with Notice of said Public Hearing published at lease ten (10 days before the date of the hearing.

# Section XII; Amendments

The Township Zoning Commission shall meet annually on the third (3<sup>rd</sup>) Tuesday in January and at other times upon call of the Chairman and may initiate Amendments to this Resolution from time to time. Amendments may also be initiated by the Township Trustees or petition of owners or lessees of the property in accordance with the provisions of the law (R.C. 519.12) governing the same. The Township Trustees shall annually set a fee which shall be required of owners or lessees of property who filed petitions to amend the Zoning Resolution, said fee to be sufficient to defray the cost of advertising, mailing and other expenses.

No change or departure from the text or maps of the Amendment as certified by the Township Zoning commission shall be made unless the same is first submitted to the Township Zoning Commission, proper notice given and a public hearing has been held for its approval, disapproval or suggestions. If such Amendment or changes are disapproved by the Township Zoning Commission, the provision so disapproved must receive the favorable vote of the entire membership of the Board of Trustees in order to be adopted.

After receiving an Amendment to the Zoning Plan from the Township Zoning Commission, the Board of Township trustees shall consider such amendment following its own public hearing and vote upon the same in accordance with the provision of the law.

If the Amendment to the Zoning Resolution is adopted by the board of Township Trustees, it shall take effect thirty (30) days thereafter, unless within said period there is presented to the Board of Township Trustees a petition signed by a number of qualified voters residing in the unincorporated area of the Township affected by the Amendment, equal to but not less than eight percent (8%) of the total vote cast for all candidates for governor in such area at the last General Election in which a governor was elected, requesting the Board of Township Trustees to submit the amendment to the electors of such area for approval or rejection at the next primary or general election, in which event, the Amendment shall not take effect unless a majority of the electors voting on said issue shall approve the same.

# Section XIII; Enforcement

It shall be unlawful to erect, construct, reconstruct, change, enlarge, locate, maintain, or use any building or structure or use any land in violation of any regulation or any provision of this resolution or any amendment thereto. Any person, firm or corporation violating this Resolution or any regulation, provision or amendment thereto shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon convection thereof shall be fined not more than one hundred and no/100 (\$100.00) dollars. Each and every day during which said illegal erection, construction, reconstruction, enlargement, location, change, maintenance or use continues may be deemed a separate offence.

# Section XIV; Interpretation

Nothing herein shall repeal, abrogate, annul, or in any way impair or interfere with provision of the law or any rules or regulation, other than Zoning Regulations, adopted or issued pursuant to law relating to the construction and use of buildings or premises.

Where this Resolution imposes a greater restriction upon the use of building or premises or upon the height of buildings or requires larger yard than are imposed or required by other provisions of the law, rules, regulations, covenants or agreements, the provisions of this Resolution shall control, but nothing herein shall interfere with, abrogate or annul any easements, covenants, deed restrictions greater than those imposed by the Resolution.

# Section XV Separability

Should any section of this Resolution be declared by the courts to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of this Resolution as a whole, or any part thereof other that the part declared to be unconstitutional or invalid.