

Farmington Township Health Ordinance

A regular meeting of the Township Board of Health of Farmington Township, Michigan, acting as the Board of Health of Farmington Township.

The following resolution was introduced by Harry Shaffer and supported by Clayton Gots and carried by the following vote: Ayes, 5; Nays, None.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Township Board, acting as the Board of Health of Farmington Township under the provisions of Section 6475 to 6523 inclusive and 6541, et seq. of the 1929 Compiled Laws, being M. S. A. 14.61, do hereby provide for the public health of the Township of Farmington as follows:

The Township Board has hereby appointed Dr. Joseph J. Gadow, M.D., and Dr. Theodore W. Ling, M.D., as Health Officers for Farmington Township to act as sanitation advisors and as executive officers of the Board.

II.

The Township Clerk is hereby directed to report to the Secretary of the State Board of Health the full name and post office address of each Health Officer and whether or not he is a physician.

Special meetings of this Board of Health may be called by the order of the President, namely the Township Supervisor, or any two members of the Board.

IV.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the following REGULATIONS AND BY-LAWS respecting nuisances, source of filth, and cause of sickness are necessary and expedient for the public health and the same are hereby approved, confirmed and adopted.

V.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Township Clerk give notice of these REGULATIONS AND BY-LAWS for public health by publishing the same (in the Farmington Enterprise, a newspaper circulated in said township) (and by posting the same in five (5) public and conspicuous places in said township).

REGULATIONS AND BY-LAWS

The Township Board of Farmington Township, Oakland County, Michigan, acting as the Board of Health of Farmington Township, ordains as follows:

Section 1. The Board of Health of Farmington Township does hereby determine that the following regulations and by-laws are necessary for the public health of Farmington Township, and the same are hereby approved, confirmed and adopted for the purpose of preventing and abating public health nuisances, and removing and preventing source of filth and causes of sickness, and for the purpose of protecting the public health.

Section 2. Whenever any cause of sickness, shall be found on private property, this Board of Health acting through its Health Officer thereof, at his own expense to remove the same within twenty-four (24) hours; and if the owner or occupant shall neglect so to do, he shall forfeit a sum not to exceed one hundred dollars (\$100.00).

Section 3. If the owner or occupant of any premises shall neglect to order of the Board of Health, or its Health Officer, such Board or Health Officer thereof may cause the said health nuisance to be removed and all expenses incurred thereby, together with the penalty as determined by the Township Board in accordance with the preceding section, shall be paid by said owner or occupant of said premises. If the owner or occupant of said premises shall refuse to pay the same, the sum so due therefor may be assessed against the property and shall be collected and treated in the same manner as any other assessed under the general laws of the state.

If the occupant, or any other person, shall have caused or permitted said nuisance to exist, he shall be liable to pay the same, and therefor may be assessed against the property for any amount so paid by said owner or assessed against said property, which amount shall be recoverable in an action at law.

Section 4. In addition to the provisions for abating health nuisances hereinbefore set forth, the Township Board of Health or its Health Officer, may in its discretion order relief in the appropriate court of chancery.

Section 5. Whenever the Board of Health or its Health Officer shall think it necessary for the preservation of lives or the health of the inhabitants to enter any building for the purpose of examining into and destroying, removing, or preventing any health nuisance, source of filth, or cause of sickness, and shall have been refused such right of entry, any member of the Board of Health or the Health Officer may make complaint to that effect, under oath, to any Justice of the Peace of the County, stating the facts, and such Justice of the Peace may thereupon issue a warrant to the Sheriff or any Peace Officer of the County, demanding him to take sufficient aid, and to be accompanied by any two or more members of said Board of

made water, tight with cement mortar or other equally good material.

Design

The capacity of a septic tank shall be never less than thirty (30) gallons, or four (4) cubic feet for each person served, provided, however, that in no case shall a septic tank be constructed or maintained of a capacity less than one hundred (100) gallons, or fifteen (15) cubic feet. The depth shall be computed from the lowest point in the overflow to the bottom of the tank. The walls and floor must be at least four (4) inches in thickness, and the top covered with metal, stone, or concrete slabs, with a covered opening at least twelve (12) inches in diameter, making the interior accessible for the inspection or cleaning. The inlet and the outlet shall be to the same level, and by means of elbows directed downward.

Permit

Before proceeding with the construction or installation of any septic tank, the owner or his agent shall make application to the Township Clerk for a permit for such construction or installation, which shall be issued upon the payment of a fee of two (\$2.00) dollars, which permit shall be substantially as follows:

Permit for Construction of Septic Tank

Date _____

Permission is hereby given to _____ to construct or install a _____ on the premises described below, subject to the inspection and approval of the Township Board.

Signed: _____ Township Clerk

Substitution _____ Septic Tank

Street. Is there a sewer or drain near? _____

Owner's Name _____

Residence _____

Post Office Address _____

Who will do the work? _____

His Address _____

Approved: _____ Township Clerk

(1) Water from roofs, surface drainage and footings shall not pass into any part of the system.

(2) Septic tank effluent shall not be permitted to be discharged into any open ditch, stream, lake, storm drain, or upon the surface of the ground, except that connection may be permitted to any county drain when and if approved by the County Drain Commissioner.

(3) No vegetables such as carrots, onions, or radishes, which can be eaten raw, shall be grown in the immediate vicinity of the septic tank field.

(4) The disposal field for such septic tank shall be constructed of lines of drain tile in prepared surface trenches, the tile to be laid with open joints so that a portion of the tank effluent seeps out at each joint. The tile shall be surrounded with gravel to insure a larger seepage area, and the trenches shall be back-filled with earth.

(5) No septic tank shall be located under a house or close to the wall thereof, and in no case shall the foundation wall be used as one wall of the septic tank.

(6) No septic tank or disposal field shall be within fifty (50) feet of any Well or surface pipe from the Well or Pump.

(7) No pipe through which sewage may back up may be within ten (10) feet of any Well.

(8) There shall be at least one hundred and fifty (150) feet of tile for the disposal field, two hundred and fifty (250) feet for loam soil; and three hundred and twenty-five (325) feet for tight soil.

(9) Trenches for the seepage disposal field shall be at least two (2) feet apart.

(10) The septic tank field shall be constructed deep enough so that the lines in the disposal field shall be not less than twelve (12) inches deep and the sewer line from the house to the tank shall have a uniform fall of at least one (1) inch in eight (8) feet.

Section 17. Septic tanks shall be examined by the owner or occupant at least every two years to determine whether or not cleaning is necessary, and if necessary, such tanks shall be cleaned of scum and sludge.

Section 18. Any person failing to comply with the orders of the Township Board of Health or its Health Officer or violating any of the provisions of these Regulations and By-Laws shall on conviction thereof be punished by a fine of not to exceed one hundred dollars (\$100.00) or by imprisonment in the County Jail of not to exceed thirty (30) days, or by both fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the Trial Court.

Section 19. In case any section, paragraph, clause or phrase of these Regulations and By-Laws shall be unconstitutional the balance thereof shall be construed as if the Board of Health had intended the constitutional provision and the unconstitutionality of such section, paragraph, clause or phrase shall not invalidate or prevent the enforcement of the remaining sections, paragraphs, clauses or phrases of such regulations and by-laws.

The Easterners

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Don't let the headline fool you — we're really from the North. East, South and West. Most of us aren't new in this district, the oldest old-timers here aren't over ten-year residents, and some of us are newcomers. Our streets are only a few blocks long, and when we give our addresses there's a lot of explaining to do. Most of us have children, so when you drive down between Orchard Lake Road and Power Road, you'll hear plenty of noise — so take it easy. But let's see how we're spending the summer.

Many and Biddle Jones of Valleyview spent a very happy two weeks in Stanton, visiting relatives. From there, Biddle went to Lincoln Lake where he enjoyed a week at the cottage at Little Crystal Lake.

Jerry Rice of Valleyview left on Tuesday for a three week vacation with his cousins in Owosso. While there he will spend some time at their cottage at Little Crystal Lake.

Bonnie Lou Sovereign of Prospect is spending a couple of weeks visiting cousins at Greenville, Rockford, Cedar Springs and Sheridan.

Edwina Smith of Valleyview is spending the month of July with her grandmother in Georgia.

The E. L. Rice of Valleyview has his cousin, Theresa Fortman from New Mexico, visiting her. The June 4. She flew from her home, and before coming to the Joneses, visited her grandmother in Mason, Mich. This must have been a big experience for an 11 year old girl.

How glad we were to get away from home for a while. Had a enjoyable two week vacation at a cabin on Monie Lake in the Upper Peninsula. Even took a boat trip down the river to see Tahquamenon Falls. We took Edna McKerracher of Milledgeville along with us. It was the first time she had ever been fishing, and managed to get three big bass. But the old home looked good to us — of course, we found plenty of weeds to pull and beans and things to eat.

Mrs. Frederick Buesser and children, three weeks at Russell Island on the St. Clair River. Mr. Buesser went up week ends and got in a lot of fishing.

Allan Alexander of Shiawassee Street returned home Saturday after a most enjoyable week at camp in the Farmington Township Group of the Salem Church.

Talent In Our Midst—Local Man Writes Poetry, Composes Music

Elvert F. Ballou, of 21184 Elizabeth Drive, is employed at the GM Diesel plant in Detroit. A resident of Farmington since November, Mr. Ballou spends his spare hours writing poetry — he dashes it off for such occasions as his mother's birthday.

But writing poems is not his only creative activity, however, for he is also an amateur song writer. He differs from most song writers in that he has a definite purpose in composing songs — one that's to bring in more than cold cash for the writer.

Ballou plans to give 15 per cent of his future royalties for any fund that will provide a summer camp for disabled veterans of World War II, their wives and families. He has already made negotiations with the Michigan State Land office to obtain the ground needed for the camp.

He has written 24 songs, of which

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