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Superior Township Zoning Board
7049 S M 221
Brimley, MI 49715
September 9th, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m. by Kathy Loup.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Present: Kathy Loup, Mark Chesebro, Cindy Vansloten, Deb Freedman, and Lori Busha,
Zoning Administrator.

Approval of Agenda: motion made by Cindy Vansloten to approve the agenda with a
change from approving the July 8th minutes to August 12th 2025 minutes.

Seconded by Mark Chesebro

Motion approved unanimously

Approval of Minutes and Zoning Administrator's Report from August 12th, 2025

Motion made by Cindy Vansloten

Seconded by Mark Chesebro

Motion approved by three members with Kathy Loup abstaining as she wasn't present at
the August 12th, 2025 meeting.

Public Comment: None

Old Business: Zoning Administrator's Report

Lori Busha read through and explained her Zoning Administrator report that covered old
business.

New Business: Zoning Administrator's Report

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business.

Lori informed us about a planning and zoning training that is coming up on October 29th and
30th in Gaylord. Cindy Vansloten is bringing it to the Township Board to get approval for two
members to attend the training.

Adjournment: Motion made by Deb Freedman to adjourn the meeting at 6:40 p.m.

Seconded by Mark Chesebro

Motion approved unanimously

Secretary
Deb Freedman

Zoning Administrator Report

September 9, 2025 Meeting

Lori Busha - Zoning Administrator

Old Business

- Simpkin property blight on M221. An additional ticket for \$510 was issued through registered mail on September 2, 2025. A response with an action for eliminating the blight is due by September 10th, if no response is given or real action identified, then the matter will be turned over to the Township Board, who has the authority to take legal action. This item is open.
- Lakeshore Drive Property - Emplit-Zoning Inquiry to put a mobile home on the property. No new updates. Email sent with the Building/Zoning Application. Awaiting approval from the DEQ, before completing the zoning paperwork. This item is open.
- S. Bound Rd Property – Mr. Russell would like to put up a new pad and trailer on this property. No new updates. The ZBA approved the Variance for this property. Mr. Russell contacted me recently to discuss the expiration of the ZBA approved Variance, which expires after 1 year. He said he was having difficulty finding a used trailer to place on site. I told him about the Smart House. He looked at it. No offer for the Smart House has been received as of this report. This item is open
- FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Maps – I received a letter from FEMA IN May regarding the status of the Flood Insurance Rate Maps and process. We are currently in the 90-Day Appeal timeframe, where residents can appeal to FEMA regarding the new flood map changes. The Old Ordinance was updated and submitted for Twp Board Approval. Cindy to update status. Awaiting hearing and official approval. This item is open.
- Lakeshore Drive Property – Mr. Camarata contacted me regarding putting up 2 homes on his property as a Duplex. No new information. Awaiting zoning information. This item is open.
- Superior Township Land Use Plan is significantly out of date (50 years old) and not relevant to the current conditions that the Township faces in terms of land use. This information was presented to the Township Board in the January meeting. Awaiting a review of the document by the Twp Board members, before we can proceed. This item is open. *will go to Board Oct mtg.*
- M221 property – Chris Gardner contacted me regarding putting a second house on this property located in the Village Center district. The only zoned district that allows a second home is the Agricultural district, with a 5 acre minimum lot size. I let him know this and told him that there was a Variance process, if he was interested. Currently, he is not seeking a variance. This item is closed.
- Rex St Property Blight Complaint – A neighbor complained about the conditions of this abandoned trailer and property. I took pictures and send a warning letter to the owner, Michael Perepeylte, who lives in Canada. The daughter of the owner contacted me and explained that the property is transitioning to her ownership and she apologized and would take care of the concern prior to the date indicated. The property was cleaned up. This item is closed.
- Irish Line Property – Mr. Schuh contacted me regarding putting up a post frame constructed barn on this property. The property is in the Agricultural district, and it is only 3.7 acres and only 249.2 ft wide, so it doesn't meet 2 requirements for this district. I explained that he could apply for a Variance with the ZBA or he could wait to see if this would be addressed in our next planning meeting. He decided to wait. This item is on hold until after the September Planning meeting.
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*Cindy
said Board
held public
hearing
already*

New Business

- Sullivan Creek Trail Property – Mr. Havman contacted me regarding property that was for sale. He is interested in building a house onto an existing barn. The property is in the Rural Residential district. I provided the requirements for that district and answered his questions. He knows that he will need to get back to me if he follows through with the purchase and the building. This item is closed.
- M28 Property – Contacted by Mr. Wickey regarding tearing down and replacing a 16'x16' Hunting cabin. The property is in Rural Residential. I provided him the requirements for this district, but he was unsure if he wanted do this work or just put up a seasonal RV/trailer. I told him to contact Chippewa County Health department for information on the well and septic requirements. This item is closed.
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