

**Hope Township
Notice of Public Hearing and Planning Commission Meeting
to Consider the Adoption of Amendments to the Hope Township Zoning Ordinance**

TO: THE RESIDENTS AND PROPERTY OWNERS OF THE HOPE TOWNSHIP, BARRY COUNTY, MICHIGAN, AND ANY OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Hope Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing and meeting on Thursday, June 20th, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. at the Hope Township Hall, 5463 S M-43 Hwy, within the Township.

The purpose of the hearing is to receive comments from the public on the adoption of an amendment to Sections 2.1, 4.2, 16.5, and 17.2 of the Hope Township Zoning Ordinance pertaining to farm supply stores.

Amendment #1, Section 2.1 (definition of farm supply store): If adopted, the amendment would modify the definition of farm supply store to include the support of additional farming and rural living needs.

Amendment #2, Section 4.2 (specific special exception use standards for farm supply stores): If adopted, the amendment would add subsection N and include provisions specific to farm supply stores as a special exception use. Specific standards would pertain to siting, off-street loading, outdoor display, and outdoor storage.

Amendment #3, Section 16.5 (land use standards table): If adopted, the amendment would add farm supply stores to the AR, Agricultural/Residential zoning district as a special exception use in the table.

Amendment #4, Section 17.2 (special exception uses in the AR zone): If adopted, the amendment would add farm supply stores as a special exception use in the AR, Agricultural/Residential zoning district in alphabetical order.

A copy of the zoning ordinance and the proposed amendments are available for review at the Hope Township Office during regular business hours 9:00 a.m. through noon and 1:15 p.m. through 3:00 p.m. on Wednesdays. Written comments will be received from any interested persons by the Hope Township Clerk at the Township Hall at any time during regular business hours up to the date of the hearing and may be further received by the Planning Commission at the hearing. Oral comments will be taken at the meeting.

All interested persons are invited to be present at the aforesaid time and place.

This notice is posted in compliance with PA 267 of 1976 as amended (Open Meetings Act) and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Hope Township will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed material being considered at the hearing, to individuals with disabilities at the hearing upon seven (7) days' notice to the Hope Township Clerk. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Hope Township Clerk at the address or telephone number listed below.

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