

ONTWA TOWNSHIP
CASS COUNTY, MICHIGAN

Ordinance No. _____

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ONTWA TOWNSHIP ZONING ORDINANCE (ORDINANCE 80-2, AS AMENDED); TO AMEND ARTICLE III TO ADD A NEW SECTION RELATED TO DOCKS AND PIERS.

ONTWA TOWNSHIP, CASS COUNTY MICHIGAN, ORDAINS:

Section 1. Amendment of Article III. Article III of the Ontwa Township Zoning Ordinance is amended to add a new Section 3.39 which reads in its entirety as follows:

SECTION 3.39. DOCKS AND PIERS

- (a) No dock or pier shall be placed within 10 feet of the point where the side lot line meets the edge of the water.
- (b) Docks, piers, lift stations, boats, vessels, or any other watercraft shall not be situated such that (1) it crosses a property line on land, nor shall it cross an imaginary line created by extending the side lot line into the water.
- (c) Permanent piers or docks shall require approval by the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE).
- (d) Piers and docks located in channels shall not extend more than 15 feet into the channel, and in no case shall channel access be obstructed.

Section 2. Severability. This Ordinance and the various parts, sections, subsections, sentences, phrases, and clauses thereof are hereby declared severable. If any part, section, subsection, sentence, phrase, or clause is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Ordinance shall not be affected thereby. The captions included at the beginning of each Section are for convenience only and shall not be considered a part of this Ordinance.

Section 3. Repealer. Any existing ordinance or resolution that is inconsistent or conflicts with this Ordinance is hereby repealed to the extent of any such conflict or inconsistency.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Ordinance is ordered to take effect seven (7) days following publication of adoption in a newspaper having general circulation in the Township, under the provisions of 2006 Public Act 110, except as may be extended under the provisions of such Act.

Tina VanBelle, Clerk
Ontwa Township