

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF UNION  
ISABELLA COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

**MORATORIUM ON THE ISSUANCE OF APPROVALS OR PERMITS FOR SAND  
AND GRAVEL PITS**

At a regular meeting of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Union, County of Isabella, Michigan held the 8th day of January, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. the following Resolution was offered by Board Member Trustee Woerle and was supported by Board Treasurer Rice and with the following members being present or absent:

PRESENT: Gunning, Cody, Rice, Hauck, Lannen, Mielke, and Woerle

ABSENT: 0

WHEREAS, pursuant to authority conferred by the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act, the Township has adopted a Zoning Ordinance (“Zoning Ordinance”) for the Charter Township of Union (the “Township”); and

WHEREAS, Section 30.4, Subsection S of the Zoning Ordinance currently regulates sand and gravel pits as a special use within Agricultural Districts of the Township; and

WHEREAS, the operation of sand and gravel pits, and other extraction operations, has the potential to impact the health, safety, environment, and general welfare of persons and property within the Township; and

WHEREAS, there appears to be renewed interest in new or expanded sand and gravel pit operations within the Township; and

WHEREAS, based upon the potential impact that new or expanded sand and gravel pit operations have on the health, welfare, environment, and safety of persons and property within the Township, the Township Board determines that it is in the best interests of the Township to study and potentially revise the existing regulations related to sand and gravel pit operations, and other extraction operations, within the Township.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Township Board has determined:

- a. That it is within the authority of the Township, pursuant to the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act (MCL 125.3101 et seq.) and MCL 42.15 to establish reasonable regulations related to the operation of sand and gravel pits and other extraction operations within the Township;

hearing shall be held at a Township Board meeting within 30 calendar days of receipt of the request. Upon concluding the hearing, the Township Board shall determine whether the petitioner has made the required demonstration and if so, shall grant relief from the moratorium.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that notice of the Resolution shall be posted at the Township Hall and on the Township website throughout the 125 calendar-day period, or any extension granted herein.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that notice of the Resolution shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation within the Township.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any and all resolutions in conflict herewith are repealed only to the extent necessary to give full force and effect to the foregoing provisions.

AYES: Gunning, Cody, Rice, Hauck, Lannen, Mielke, and Woerle

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 0

ABSTENTIONS: 0

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED: January 8, 2020

**CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a Resolution adopted by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Union, County of Isabella, Michigan, at its regular meeting held this 8th day of January 2020.

  
Lisa Cody, Township Clerk