

ARTICLE 20.0 LEGAL CLAUSES

Section 20.01 Adoption.

This Ordinance was adopted by the Bridgewater Township Board of Trustees, following compliance with all procedures required by the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act, at its regular meeting duly held on the second day of May, 2013, and ordered to be given publication in the manner prescribed by law.

Section 20.02 Effective Date.

This Ordinance is hereby declared to be effective as of the twentieth day of May, 2013, pursuant to the notice of adoption required under the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act. This Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect from this date forward unless repealed.

Section 20.03 Severability.

Should any section or provision of this Ordinance be declared by any court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or invalid, such declaration shall not affect the validity of the Ordinance as a whole, or any part thereof, other than the section or provision so declared to be unconstitutional or invalid.

Should any court of competent jurisdiction declare the application of any provision of this Ordinance to any lot, structure, or use to be unconstitutional or invalid, such declaration shall not affect the application of said provision to any other lot, structure, or use not specifically included in said judgment.

Section 20.04 Repeal of Previous Ordinances.

All previous zoning ordinances adopted by the Bridgewater Township Board of Trustees, and all amendments thereto, are hereby repealed as of the effective date of this Ordinance, together with all other ordinances or parts thereof that conflict with this Ordinance. However, no offense committed nor penalty incurred prior to the effective date of this Ordinance shall be affected or impaired.

Any prosecution pending at the time this Ordinance becomes effective may be tried and determined exactly as if such ordinance has not been repealed. Any prosecution started within 365 calendar days after the effective date of this Ordinance in consequence of any violation of any ordinance repealed herein, which was committed previous to the effective date of this Ordinance, may be tried and determined exactly as if such ordinance has not been repealed.

Section 20.05 Conflict With Other Laws.

Where any condition imposed by any provision of this Ordinance upon the use of any lot or structure is either more restrictive or less restrictive than any comparable condition imposed by any other provision of this Ordinance or by the provision of any ordinance adopted under any other law, the provision which is more restrictive or which imposes a higher standard or requirement shall govern.

This Ordinance is not intended to abrogate or annul any easement, covenant, deed restriction or any other private agreement, provided that where any provision of this Ordinance is more restrictive or imposes a higher standard or requirement than such easement, covenant, deed restriction or any other private agreement, the provision of this Ordinance shall govern.