

**RUTLAND CHARTER TOWNSHIP**

**BARRY COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

**NOTICE OF PLANNING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED ZONING  
TEXT AMENDMENTS AT DECEMBER 2, 2020 MEETING**

TO: THE RESIDENTS AND PROPERTY OWNERS OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF RUTLAND, BARRY COUNTY, MICHIGAN, AND ALL OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE the Rutland Charter Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing at its regular meeting on December 2, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. at the Rutland Charter Township Hall located at 2461 Heath Road, within the Charter Township of Rutland, Barry County, Michigan. The items to be considered at this public hearing include the following proposed amendments of the designated text section within Chapter 220 (Zoning) of the Rutland Charter Township Code of ordinances:

1. On application of Excelling Leaders, §220-2-2 (Definitions) is proposed to be amended to add a definition for the term "Rural Retreat".
2. On application of Excelling Leaders, §220-4-3 pertaining to the enumerated special land uses in the AG/OS Agricultural/Open Space Preservation District is proposed to be amended to add "Rural Retreat" as subsection W (and re-letter existing subsection W to be subsection X).
3. §220-17-3 pertaining to temporary use of a recreation vehicle as a dwelling is proposed to be amended by replacing existing subsection C with new provisions relating to zoning approval for one recreation vehicle to be temporarily occupied as a dwelling on a lot in any district where single family dwelling is a designated permitted use, in circumstances where (1) the recreation vehicle is proposed to be occupied for temporary non-commercial purposes associated with recreational activities on the subject property or for personal visitation with the occupant of the permanent dwelling on the subject property, and where (2) the recreation vehicle is proposed to be temporarily occupied during construction of a permanent dwelling on the same lot; in each circumstance subject to specified terms and conditions.

The Township is requesting persons attending this meeting observe such Covid-19 "social distancing" protections as may still be required by any applicable administrative order of the State of Michigan and/or by Township policy. Written comments concerning the above matters may be mailed to the Rutland Charter Township Clerk at the Rutland Charter Township Hall at any time prior to this public hearing/meeting, and may further be submitted to the Planning Commission at the public hearing/meeting.

The Rutland Charter Township Code, Master Plan, and the tentative text of the above-referenced proposed Zoning text amendment(s), may be examined by contacting the Rutland Charter Township Clerk at the Township Hall during regular business hours on regular business days maintained by the Township offices from and after the publication of this Notice and until and including the day of the hearing/meeting, and further may be examined at the hearing/meeting.

The Township Planning Commission reserves the right to modify any of the proposed amendments at or following the hearing/meeting and to make its recommendations accordingly to the Township Board.

Rutland Charter Township will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services at the meeting/hearing to individuals with disabilities, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audiotapes of printed materials being considered, upon reasonable notice to the Township. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Township Clerk as designated below.

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