

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
THE RESIDENTS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHESTER  
OTTAWA COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

There will be a public hearing before the Planning Commission of Chester Township, Ottawa County, Michigan at the Chester Township Hall, 3509 Sehler Street, Conklin on **Monday, November 27, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.**, for the purpose of considering on a proposed ordinance to amend the Zoning Ordinance of the Township of Chester. The principal provisions of the proposed amending ordinance can be summarized as follows:

1. Definitions. The proposed ordinance would amend Section 210-K to add the definition of Kennel.
2. Special Uses. The proposed ordinance would amend Section 902 to add a new subsection M. *Kennels* to establish conditions upon which a kennel may be approved including the location of buildings, animal runs and exercise areas; hours of outdoor operation; confirmation of Federal, State, and County requirements; and require a copy of a County Kennel License.
3. Walls and Fences. The proposed ordinance would amend Section 327 to stipulate that a fence may be located on the lot line with a survey; to require a zoning permit prior to installation for fences within the Lake Residential, High Density Residential, Commercial zoning districts, and on vacant lots in any zoning district; to place emphasis on the definitions chapter for yard front, yard rear, and yard side; to stipulate that farm animals shall be fenced or penned with materials sufficient to contain the animals; and to specify that wire fencing to protect gardens is exempt with conditions.
4. Decisions of the Board. The proposed ordinance would amend Section 2002.F to provide clarity as to when an appeal may be filed.
5. Definitions. The proposed ordinance would amend Section 201 and the definition of Building Height to measure the distance from the established grade.
6. Site Development Requirements. The proposed ordinance would amend Section 573.E to establish a maximum building height and maximum wall length for accessory buildings up to 120 square foot in size.
7. Correctional Institutions. The proposed ordinance would amend Section 1906 to remove the reference to Section 1402.B.

Any person interested in these matters may appear at such hearing in person or by agent or attorney. Written comments concerning this matter will be received at the Chester Township office through the date of the hearing or may be emailed to [clerk@chester-twp.org](mailto:clerk@chester-twp.org) . A full copy of the matter is available for public inspection at the Chester Township office M 1:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m., W, Th 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

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Dated November 9, 2023