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# PROPERTY MAINTENANCE BOARD OF APPEALS

**LOCATION: TOWNSHIP ANNEX, 7527 HIGHLAND ROAD, WHITE LAKE, MI 48383**
**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2026 – 6:30 PM**

*White Lake Township | 7525 Highland Rd | White Lake, MI 48383 | Phone: (248) 698-3300 | www.whitelaketwp.com*

## AGENDA

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **ROLL CALL**
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
6. **CALL TO THE PUBLIC (FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA)**
7. **PUBLIC HEARING**
8. **NEW BUSINESS**
   - A. ELECTION OF OFFICES
   - B. ADOPTION OF BY-LAWS
   - C. ADOPTION OF RULES OF PROCEDURE
   - D. ERNEST PARKER APPEAL HEARING
     9620 Cooley Lake Rd.
     White Lake, MI 48386
     Location: 9620 Cooley Lake Rd identified by parcel #12-35-382-026
     **Request:** Applicant is appealing both the September 17 notice and $192.50 charge, including the $175.00 ordinance grass-cut charge and $17.50 administrative fee for E260279 at 6320 Cooley Lake Road.

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

Procedures for accommodations for persons with disabilities: The Township will follow its normal procedures for individuals with disabilities needing accommodations for effective participation in this meeting. Please contact the Township Clerk's office at (248) 698-3300 X-7 at least five days in advance of the meeting. An attempt will be made to provide reasonable accommodations

# CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF WHITE LAKE
# PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE BOARD OF APPEALS

## BYLAWS AND RULES OF PROCEDURE

### ARTICLE I
### PURPOSES, AUTHORITY AND DUTIES

The Property Maintenance Code Board of Appeals referred to in these Bylaws as the "Board" is formed under and pursuant to the Charter Township of White Lake Code of Ordinances, Chapter 8, Article IV, and the International Property Maintenance Code, 2018 edition (referred to in these Bylaws as the "Governing Authorization and Regulations"). The assigned and designated purposes, authority and duties of the Board are set forth in the Governing Authorization and Regulations as follows: to hear and decide appeals of any person directly affected by a decision of the code official or a notice or order issued under the Governing Authorization and Regulations. The Board shall not engage in or undertake business, activities, actions or efforts beyond the scope of the purposes, authority and duties assigned or designated in the Governing Authorization and Regulations.

### ARTICLE II
### MEMBERS & LIAISONS

Section 1. Members. The Board consists of not less than three (3) regular and two (2) alternate members who are qualified by experience and training to pass on matters pertaining to property maintenance and who are not employees of the jurisdiction. The Code Official shall be an ex-officio member but shall have no vote on any matter before the Board.

Section 2. Terms. Regular and alternate members shall hold office for terms as set forth in the Governing Authorization and Regulations and designated at the time of appointment and shall serve until a successor is appointed and seated, unless such member has been removed from office. The Board shall be appointed by the Chief Appointing Authority and shall serve staggered and overlapping terms.

Section 3. Vacancies. Any vacancy occurring in the membership of the Board shall be filled for the remainder of the unexpired term in the manner provided for original appointment.

Section 4. Absences. Three absences in the course of a calendar year may subject a member to removal from office. Regular members shall report to the Secretary and/or Chairman of his or her inability to attend a meeting in sufficient time to enable the Secretary and/or Chairman to contact an alternate member to replace the regular member.

Section 5. Removal. Regular and alternate members may be removed in accordance with applicable state laws and Township ordinances, policies and resolutions.

Section 6. Alternate Members. The chief appointing authority shall appoint not less than two alternate members who shall be called by the board chairman to hear appeals during the absence or disqualification of a member. Alternate members shall possess the qualifications required for board membership. Alternate members who serve and/or who participate in any agenda item shall continue to serve on the Board for that item until a final decision is reached on the same. At all other times, the alternate members may participate in all discussions but shall not have a vote and shall not count in determining the existence of a quorum.

Section 7. Township Board Liaison. The Township Supervisor, subject to approval by majority vote of the members of the Township Board may appoint a member of the Township Board to serve as a liaison to the Board. The term of a Township Board liaison shall expire with his or her term on the Township Board. An appointed Township Board liaison shall attend the meetings of and may participate in the deliberations and discussions of the Board but shall not have a vote on any matter coming before the Board unless otherwise provided by law or the Township Code of Ordinances. The presence of a Township Board liaison at a meeting shall not count toward the establishment of a quorum.

Section 8. Staff Liaison. The Township Supervisor, or his or her designee, may assign a member of the Township administration to assist and serve as a liaison to the Board, who shall serve at the pleasure and direction of the Township Supervisor. A staff liaison may attend the meetings of and provide information and input to the Board but shall not have a vote on any matter coming before the Board. The presence of a staff liaison at a meeting shall not count toward the establishment of a quorum.

## ARTICLE III
## VOTING

Section 1. Votes. Only the duly appointed regular members and alternate members, when called to serve as provided above, are authorized to vote on matters coming before the Board, and each such member shall be entitled to one vote.

Section 2. Quorum. The presence of a number of voting members equaling a majority of the appointed regular membership of the Board shall constitute a quorum for purposes of conducting business (i.e., open or vacant seats shall not count in determining the existence of a quorum and alternate members called by the chairperson to serve at a meeting shall count in determining the existence of a quorum). The applicable statute, MCL 125.1514(1) requires that the Board shall at all times consist of no fewer than three (3) members.

Section 3. Voting. Only the duly appointed regular members and alternate members, when called to serve as provided above, are authorized to vote on matters coming before the Board, and each

such member shall be entitled to one vote. Votes may be cast by a general voice vote, except where a roll call vote is requested by any voting member or required by law or other procedures established under these bylaws. If there is a question as to the number of yea or nay votes, a roll call shall be conducted.

Section 4. Transaction of Business. Unless otherwise provided by law, resolution, or other procedures established under these Bylaws, the concurring vote of the majority of members of the Board shall be necessary for the transaction of all business and decisions of the Board.

Section 5. Conflict of Interest. No member of the Board shall vote on any issue in which he or she may reasonably be considered to have a conflict of interest or the member's participation would result in a violation of the Standards of Conduct for Public officers and Employees Act, 196 PA 1973 (MCL 15.341, et seq), the Incompatible Public Offices Act, 566 PA 1978 (MCL 15.181 et seq.), or any other state law, ordinance, ethics code or policy provision applicable to township officials and conflicts of interest. If a member could reasonably be considered to have such a conflict of interest pertaining to a matter that is to be addressed or considered by the Board, before participating in any discussion or casting a vote on such a matter, the member shall disclose the conflict of interest to the Board. Unless the Board concludes, upon a majority vote of the remaining members, that the member's participation does not constitute a conflict of interest and that his or her participation and vote will not be affected by his or her interest, the member shall leave his or her seat at the dais or meeting table and shall abstain from discussion and voting on the matter. A member shall not appear before the Board as an advocate in relation to any matter in which he or she has abstained for reasons of conflict of interest.

## ARTICLE IV
## MEETINGS

Section 1. Open Meetings Act and Freedom of Information Act Compliance. All meetings and members of the Board shall comply, in all respects, with the Michigan Open Meetings Act and Freedom of Information Act.

Section 2. Frequency of Meetings; Records. The Board shall meet at regular intervals, to be determined by the Chairman to conduct and complete the business and duties assigned to it, and, in coordination with its designated Secretary, shall keep a record of its minutes, resolutions, transactions, findings, determinations, documents and other materials. In any event, the board shall meet upon notice from the chairman, within 20 days of the filing of an appeal.

Section 3. Place of Meeting. Subject to the requirements of the Open Meetings Act, meetings of the Board shall be held at the Township Hall or at such other suitable place convenient to the members and made available by the Township.

Section 4. Meetings. In accordance with the Michigan Open Meetings Act, the Board, within ten (10) days after its first meeting of each calendar year, shall establish and, with the assistance of

the Secretary or Township Clerk, post a public notice stating the dates, times, and place of its regular meetings for the ensuing year, and shall post a notice of any changes in its schedule of regular meetings in accordance with the Open Meetings Act. Special meetings of the Board may be called and noticed, per the requirements of the Open Meetings Act, by the Chairperson, in his or her absence by the Vice-Chairperson or Secretary, upon written request of a majority of the regular members of the Board, by the Supervisor of the Township, or as may be otherwise allowed by law or ordinance. No business shall be transacted at any special meeting of the Board unless the same has been stated in the notice of such meeting. Notice of the time, place and subject matter of all meetings shall be given by telephone, electronic means, personal delivery, or mailing the same to each member. Notice of each meeting also shall be provided to the public in compliance with the Michigan Open Meetings Act. It shall be the duty of the Secretary (or other officer designated by the Chairperson in the Secretary's absence), with the assistance of the staff liaison or, if no staff liaison, the Township Clerk, to serve and post the notices described in this Section on behalf of the Board.

Section 5. Rules of Procedure. Meetings shall be conducted according to the most recent edition of Roberts Rules of Order as a guideline in all cases to which they are applicable, provided they are not in conflict with these Bylaws or any applicable State law or Township Code of Ordinance or policy. The board shall adopt and make available to the public through the secretary procedures under which a hearing will be conducted.

Section 6. Agenda. In order to avoid undertaking business or activities beyond the scope of the purposes, authority and duties assigned by the Township Code of Ordinances or by law, and to promote orderly and efficient meetings, each meeting of the Board shall have an agenda prepared in advance of the meeting which shall be distributed to all members and liaisons. If a staff liaison has been appointed, the agenda shall be prepared by the staff liaison with input from the chair and vice-chair. Otherwise, the agenda shall be jointly prepared by the chair and vice-chair. Other members of the Board may ask for items to be included on an agenda through the chair or vice-chair, or by a majority vote of the membership.

Section 7. Order of Business. The order of business at meetings of the Board shall be as follows:

a. Call to Order
b. Roll Call
c. Approval of Agenda
d. Approval of Minutes
e. Public Comment
f. Unfinished Business
g. New Business
h. Adjournment

Section 8. Minutes. In coordination with its designated staff liaison, if any, the Board shall keep and approve minutes of its meetings in accordance with the Open Meetings Act. Minutes, resolutions, and any other similar record of the proceedings of the Board, when signed by the

Chairperson or Secretary, shall be presumed truthfully to evidence the matters set forth therein. A recitation in a resolution or the minutes of any such meeting that notice of the meeting was properly given shall be prima facie evidence that such notice was given. Pursuant to the Michigan Open Meetings Act, minutes shall show the date, time, place, members present, members absent, any resolution adopted and decision made at a meeting open to the public, and the purpose or purposes for which any closed session is held. The minutes shall include all roll call votes taken at the meeting. The Board shall make any corrections in the minutes at the next meeting after the meeting to which the minutes refer. Proposed minutes shall be made available for public inspection within eight (8) business days after the meeting to which the minutes refer. Approved minutes shall be made available for public inspection within five (5) business days after the meeting at which the minutes are approved. A member of the Board who did not attend the meeting to which the minutes refer should not vote on the minutes for that meeting.

Section 9. Hearing Procedure.

a. The Chairperson calls the agenda item.
b. The Chairperson or a Township staff member introduces the matter.
c. The appellant and/or representative present their request.
d. Township staff and any consultants provide their review of the request.
e. Board members may question the appellant and staff.
f. If there is a public hearing, the Chairperson declares the public hearing open.
g. Public comment, if any, is recognized by the Chairperson and received.
h. If there is a public hearing, the Chairperson declares the public hearing closed.
i. The appellant is given the opportunity to respond and/or comment on public input.
j. The Board deliberates and decides the matter or takes such other action as it deems appropriate.

Section 11. Board Decision. The decision of the board shall be recorded. Copies shall be furnished to the appellant and to the code official. The code official shall take immediate action in accordance with the decision of the board.

Section 11. Rules for Citizen Participation at Meetings. The rules in this Section shall govern and apply to citizen participation at meetings of the Board. Members of the public may speak when recognized by the Chairperson during a formal public hearing, the open public comment period, an agenda item, or at the discretion of the Chairperson at other times. Upon being recognized, the speaker shall provide his or her name and the street upon which they live for the record, and the speaker shall address the Board only and shall not engage in direct dialogue with others attending the meeting. Members of the public who speak at a meeting shall be limited to *3 minutes,* per individual, unless additional time is granted in the discretion of the Chairperson. The Chairperson may limit an individual from speaking more than once on any specific item before the Board or during an open public comment period. Upon the request of a member of the Board or in the Chairperson's own discretion, the Chairperson may grant additional time to a speaker and may

recognize and allow a member of the public to address the Board at a time other than as designated in these Bylaws; however, all other rules as provided herein shall apply.

Section 12. Disorderly Conduct at Meetings. Persons addressing the Board shall direct their attention and comment to the Board only and shall not engage in direct dialogue or communications of any kind with others attending the meeting. All speakers at meetings of the Board shall make responsible comments and shall refrain from making personal, impertinent, slanderous or profane remarks. The Chairperson may call to order any person who is being disorderly by speaking when not recognized by the Chair or otherwise disrupting the proceeding by failing to be germane, by speaking longer than the allotted time, by speaking vulgarities, or otherwise violating the rules in this Section or Section 10, above. Such person shall thereupon be seated until the Chairperson shall have determined whether the person is in order and that person shall not be permitted to speak at the same meeting, except upon special leave by the Board. If the person shall continue to be disorderly and disrupt the meeting, the Chairperson may request the Police Department to remove the person from the meeting.

Section 13. Time Limit for Meetings. No new agenda item will be considered after 11:30 p.m. The meeting will conclude no later than 12 a.m. All agenda items not considered will be carried over to the next regular or special meeting as determined by the Board. These time limits may be extended by a majority vote of members of the Board.

Section 14. Postponed Hearing. When the full board is not present to hear an appeal, either the appellant or the appellant's representative shall have the right to request a postponement of the hearing.

Section 15. Stay of Enforcement. Appeals of notice and orders (other than Imminent Danger notices) shall stay the enforcement of the notice and order until the appeal is heard by the Board.

## ARTICLE V
## OFFICERS

Section 1. Officers. The Board shall have a Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, and Secretary.

a. Chairperson. The board shall annually select one of its members to serve as Chairperson. The Chairperson shall preside at all meetings, rule on all points of order raised at meetings, call special meetings subject to the requirements of these Bylaws, consult with staff on the preparation of agendas, and shall perform all other duties necessary or incidental to the office of Chairperson. The Chair shall have a vote on all matters before the Board.

b. Vice-Chairperson. The Vice-Chairperson shall perform the duties of the Chairperson in his or her absence, the duties set forth in these Bylaws and Township Code of Ordinances, and any additional duties as determined by the Board.

c. Secretary. The Township Supervisor shall designate a qualified person to serve as Secretary to the board. The secretary shall file a detailed record of all proceedings in the Office of the Township Supervisor. The secretary shall record the minutes of all Board meetings, shall cause a record to be kept of all plans, documents, books and papers approved by and brought before the Board, shall provide copies of all such records to the Township Clerk upon request, shall perform such other tasks as may be delegated to him or her by the Board, and shall perform all other duties incident other office of the Secretary.

Section 2. Term of Office. Officers shall serve terms of one (1) year, with eligibility for re-election, except that a member shall not be eligible to serve more than two (2) successive terms as Chairperson.

Section 3. Election. Members shall be appointed by the Township Supervisor and shall serve staggered and overlapping terms.

## ARTICLE VI
## REPORTING

Section 1. Fiscal Year. The fiscal year of the Board shall be the same as the Township of White Lake.

Section 2. Report to Township Board. The Board shall prepare a written report to the Township Board at least one (1) time in each calendar year, and if requested by the Supervisor or Township Board, shall present said report at a meeting of the Township Board. In addition to any other information required by law, the report shall inform and advise Township Board on the number of meetings held, the activities and items of business that have been and are being undertaken by the Board, and any recommendations or advice the Board may have concerning Township policy matters relating to the purposes, authority and duties of the Board.

## ARTICLE VII
## AMENDMENTS

Section 1. Method. These Bylaws may be amended at a duly constituted meeting of the Board by the affirmative vote of a 2/3 majority of its members.

Section 2. Proposal. Amendments to these Bylaws may be proposed by any active member of the Board or a member of the Township Staff.

Section 3. Meeting. Upon any such amendment being proposed, the proposed amendment may be considered at the same or any subsequent regular meeting or a special meeting called for that purpose.

Section 4. Distribution. A copy of these Bylaws and each amendment to these Bylaws shall be furnished to every member of the Board after adoption, provided, however, that these Bylaws and any duly adopted amendment to them shall be binding upon all members irrespective of whether such persons actually receive a copy of the amendment.

Section 5. Regular Review of Bylaws. These Bylaws shall be reviewed by the Board on a regular basis to ensure that they remain up-to-date and consistent with existing laws, ordinances and practices.

## ARTICLE VIII
## REPEALER, CONFLICTS AND SEVERABILITY

Section 1. Conflicts. If any provision of these Bylaws is inconsistent or conflicts with the Governing Authorization and Regulations, the Governing Authorization and Regulations shall supersede these Bylaws and apply.

Section 2. Severability. In the event that any of the terms, provisions, or covenants of these Bylaws are held to be partially or wholly invalid or unenforceable for any reason whatsoever, such holding shall not affect, alter, modify, or impair any of the other terms, provisions or covenants of these Bylaws or the remaining portions of any terms, provisions or covenants held to be partially invalid or unenforceable.

Adopted By: Property Maintenance Code Board of Appeals on _____, 2026
Approved By: Township Board on October 20, 2026

**Charter Township of White Lake**
**Property Maintenance Code Board of Appeals**

## APPEAL HEARING RULES OF PROCEDURE

1. Chair calls meeting to order.
2. Secretary shall take attendance by roll call.
3. Chair asks that the Agenda be reviewed, amended if necessary, and approved.
4. Chair asks that the minutes from the last meeting be reviewed, amended if necessary, and approved.
5. Chair announces that public comment is welcome. Public comment is limited to 3 minutes per person.
6. Chair calls any unfinished business.
7. Chair calls any new business.

**Appeal Hearing Procedures:**

A. The Chair calls the agenda item.

B. The Chair or a member of the Township staff shall identify the appellant.

C. The appellant and/or their representative present their request.

D. Township staff and any consultants provide their review of the request.

E. Board members may question the appellant, staff and any consultants.

F. If there is a public hearing, the Chair declares the public hearing open.

G. Public comment, if any, is recognized by the Chairperson and received. Public comment is limited to 3 minutes per person.

H. If there is a public hearing, the Chair declares the public hearing closed.

I. The appellant is given the opportunity to respond and/or comment on public input.

J. The Board deliberates and decides the matter or takes such other action as it deems appropriate.

The Board of Appeals is not bound by any strict rules or evidence and may consider any evidence and arguments presented in light of experience, common sense, and generally accepted facts and standards, however, only relevant information shall be received by the Board. There must be a majority of the appointed regular membership of the Board (2 members) present for the Board of Appeals to take action, and a majority vote of those members present is required for a decision. In the event of a tie vote, the motion fails. If the full Board is not present, either the appellant or his or her representative may request a postponement of the hearing.

The board may affirm, modify or reverse the decision of the code official. The decision of the board shall be recorded. Copies shall be furnished to the appellant and to the code official. The code official shall take immediate action in accordance with the decision of the board

8. Adjournment

# WHITE LAKE TOWNSHIP

## *COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT*

**DATE:** November 9, 2026

**TO:** White Lake Township Property Maintenance Code Board of Appeals

**FROM:** Josh Husted, Code Enforcement Officer

**SUBJECT:** Appeal of ordinance grass cutting on 9/16/2026 in the amount of $192.50

Please see the attached packet regarding the appeal from Earnest Parker. The ordinance grass cutting was conducted on 9/16/2026 when weeds on his property (9620 Cooley Lake Rd) were over two feet tall.

The Community Development Department finds that this ordinance cut was conducted within the guidelines of the township ordinance and the State of Michigan.

Please also see the attached written appeal from Earnest Parker. Mr. Parker lives outside of the country, and he has request to present his appeal in writing.

I appreciate your consideration, and I look forward to discussing the appeal with you at the November 18th Property Maintenance Board of Appeals meeting at 6:30 PM. Please let me know if you require any additional information.

Thank you.

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10/24/2025

Ernest Parker
9620 Cooley Lake Rd
White Lake, Mi 48386-3941

RE: 9620 Cooley Lake Rd

Dear Ernest G Parker,

I am writing to advise you that the above described property is currently in violation of White Lake Township Ordinance.

International Property Maintenance Code

302.8 Motor Vehicles
Except as provided for in other regulations, inoperative or unlicensed motor vehicles shall not be parked, kept, or stored on any premises, and vehicles shall not at any time be in a state of major disassembly, disrepair, or in the process of being stripped or dismantled.

CORRECTIVE MEASURES REQUIRED: Remove the inoperable/junk vehicles from the property in ten (10) days, OR repair and license the vehicles and prove operability of said vehicles. Reinspection will be scheduled ten (10) days from the date on this letter.

International Property Maintenance Code

302.4 Weeds :
All premises and exterior of the property shall be maintained free from weeds (grass) or plant growth in excess of 8 inches.

Corrective measures required:
Cut and maintain premises to comply within ten (10) days. This includes all of the vegetation that is taking over the front yard and house. This also includes the back yard that now looks like a wooded lot.

Please contact my office within ten (10) days of the date of this letter to request a re-inspection to verify compliance or, if full compliance is not possible due to the nature of the violation, to discuss a specific time frame to be in full compliance with all Township Ordinances. My office number is 248-698-3300 ext. 134 and my email is jhusted@whitelaketwp.com.

If contact is not made or if the Township is not satisfied with the timetable proposed, court proceedings will become necessary.

Respectfully,



Josh Husted, Ordinance Officer
White Lake Township
248-698-3300 ext 134
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# NOTICE OF VIOLATION

05/15/2026

Ernest Parker
9620 Cooley Lake
White Lake, MI, 48386-3941

RE: E260279 | 9620 Cooley Lake Rd

This is your notification that a violation at the aforementioned address is present and you must make correction. If compliance and fine(s) are not paid within 10 days, you will be issued a citation requiring an appearance in court. Please notify my office upon receipt of this notice as there will be no other notifications by my office that does not require an appearance by you in court.

**Fees:**
**1st Notice: $100.00**
**2nd Notice: $250.00 (plus balance owed from 1st violation)**
**3rd Notice $500.00 (plus balance owed from prior violations)**
**Miscellaneous Fees: Ordinance grass cut**

**Total Owing: $192.50**

Note: This bureau is authorized to accept payment and cost as an admission of responsibility for the Municipal Civil Infraction. The payment of this fine does ***NOT*** in any way release you from the responsibility of correcting this violation or future violations. If it has not been corrected, you have 10 days from the date of this notice to comply. Please contact me at 248-698-3300 ext 134 or email at jhusted@whitelaketwp.com to further discuss this matter.

Josh Husted, Ordinance Officer
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# NOTICE OF VIOLATION

05/29/2026

Ernest Parker
9620 Cooley Lake
White Lake, MI, 48386-3941

RE: E260279 | 9620 Cooley Lake Rd

This is your notification that a violation at the aforementioned address is present and you must make correction. If compliance and fine(s) are not paid within 10 days, you will be issued a citation requiring an appearance in court. Please notify my office upon receipt of this notice as there will be no other notifications by my office that does not require an appearance by you in court.

**Fees:**
**1st Notice: $100.00**
**2nd Notice: $250.00 (plus balance owed from 1st violation)**
**3rd Notice $500.00 (plus balance owed from prior violations)**
**Miscellaneous Fees: Ordinance grass cutting**

**Total Owing: $275.00**

Note: This bureau is authorized to accept payment and cost as an admission of responsibility for the Municipal Civil Infraction. The payment of this fine does ***NOT*** in any way release you from the responsibility of correcting this violation or future violations. If it has not been corrected, you have 10 days from the date of this notice to comply. Please contact me at 248-698-3300 ext 134 or email at jhusted@whitelaketwp.com to further discuss this matter.

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# NOTICE OF VIOLATION

09/17/2026

Parker, Ernest G
9620 Cooley Lake
White Lake, MI, 48386-3941

RE: E260279 | 9620 Cooley Lake Rd

This is your notification that a violation at the aforementioned address is present and you must make correction. If compliance and fine(s) are not paid within 10 days, you will be issued a citation requiring an appearance in court. Please notify my office upon receipt of this notice as there will be no other notifications by my office that does not require an appearance by you in court.

**Fees:**
**1st Notice: $100.00**
**2nd Notice: $250.00 (plus balance owed from 1st violation)**
**3rd Notice $500.00 (plus balance owed from prior violations)**
**Miscellaneous Fees: Ordinance Grass Cut**

**Total Owing: $192.50**

Note: This bureau is authorized to accept payment and cost as an admission of responsibility for the Municipal Civil Infraction. The payment of this fine does ***NOT*** in any way release you from the responsibility of correcting this violation or future violations. If it has not been corrected, you have 10 days from the date of this notice to comply. Please contact me at 248-698-3300 ext 134 or email at jhusted@whitelaketwp.com to further discuss this matter.

Josh Husted, Ordinance Officer
White Lake Township
248-698-3300 ext 134
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# INVOICE

DATE: September 16, 2026
INVOICE # 21 - 091626-3
FOR:

Service Address:
White Lake Township
7525 Highland Road
White Lake, MI 48383

| Date of Service | DESCRIPTION | AMOUNT |
|---|---|---|
| 9/16/2026 | **Ord. Cut: 9620 Cooley Lake Rd - Mow and weed whip property. Clearing of trash and branches from front yard before mowing was required. Backyard required use of a sickle and weedwhip which is labor intensive** | 175.00 |
| | TOTAL | $ 175.00 |

Payment Terms: Due within 30 Days

Payment may be mailed to:
662 Plainfield Drive
White Lake, MI 48386

If you have any questions concerning this invoice please contact me directly at 248-240-4006

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR BUSINESS!**

# WHITE LAKE TOWNSHIP

7525 HIGHLAND RD
WHITE LAKE, MI 48383-2938
(248) 698-3300

**Print Date:** 10/29/2026
**Enforcement Number:** E260279
**Enforcement Category:** TALL GRASS/NOXIOUS WEEDS
**Location:** 9620 COOLEY LAKE RD

Item D.

Pay by Account in Full

PARKER, ERNEST G
9620 COOLEY LAKE RD
WHITE LAKE, MI 48386-3941

**Total Balance Due: $0.00**

| Invoice | Number | Date | Due | Adjustments | Payments | Balance |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 00083269 | 5/15/2026 12: | 6/14/2026 12: | $0.00 | $192.50 | $0.00 |

| Quantity | Category | Description | Billed |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1.00 | STANDARD ITEM | Ordinance Grass Cut | $175.00 |
| 1.00 | Standard Item | Admin Fee | $17.50 |

| Invoice | Number | Date | Due | Adjustments | Payments | Balance |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 00083409 | 5/29/2026 12: | 6/28/2026 12: | $0.00 | $82.50 | $0.00 |

| Quantity | Category | Description | Billed |
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| 1.00 | STANDARD ITEM | Ordinance Grass Cut | $75.00 |
| 1.00 | Standard Item | Admin Fee | $7.50 |

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| | 00084745 | 9/17/2026 12: | 10/17/2026 1 | $0.00 | $192.50 | $0.00 |

| Quantity | Category | Description | Billed |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1.00 | STANDARD ITEM | Ordinance Grass Cut | $175.00 |
| 1.00 | Standard Item | Admin Fee | $17.50 |

**Total Balance Due: $0.00**

01/20/2026 Email sent to Parker

Good Morning Mr. Parker,

Thank you for providing the other two registrations. You are currently in compliance with White Lake Township code enforcement. Please continue to maintain the property and keep the property up to code.

Josh Husted

Ordinance Officer

White Lake Township

7525 Highland Road

White Lake, MI 48383

(248) 698-3300 x134

9/15/2026 email from Parker to Husted and O'Neil

Mr. Husted,

I am the owner of 9620 Cooley Lake Road, White Lake, MI 48386.

This email concerns ordinance enforcement matter E260279.

I refer specifically to the enforcement-system screenshot on page 3 of the Township's September 10, 2026 FOIA response concerning your July 9, 2026 vehicle-related email. That screenshot identifies the matter as "In Progress," lists a last inspection on September 1, 2026, and lists a next inspection on September 15, 2026 at 12:00 p.m.

Please clarify the following in writing:

1. Is E260279 currently open or closed? If open, identify each violation currently alleged, the applicable ordinance or code section, the date it was last observed, and the specific corrective action the Township believes remains necessary.

2. What were the findings of the September 1 inspection? Does the September 15 entry represent a planned inspection, an automated reminder, or an entry that has been canceled or superseded? If an inspection has occurred, please state its date and findings.

3. For any proposed further inspection, identify its purpose, scope, and legal authority, including the authority relied upon

for any entry onto the property without my consent.

4. Identify any current notice or order requiring action by me, provide a copy, and state any applicable compliance or appeal deadline.

If no violation remains outstanding, please confirm closure of E260279 in writing. If the Township believes closure is not appropriate, please explain the specific remaining issue and the available review procedure.

For clarity, I do not consent to Township employees, agents, or contractors entering my home, fenced yard, or other nonpublic portions of the property for code-enforcement inspection, investigation, photography, or abatement.

This email is not a request for an inspection or permission to enter. Nothing in this notice is intended to obstruct entry authorized by a valid warrant, court order, or other lawful authority independent of my consent.

Please keep communications concerning this matter in writing. I request a written response within 10 business days.

This request does not withdraw any existing objection to charges or waive any rights.

Thank you,

Ernest G. Parker

Property: 9620 Cooley Lake Road

White Lake, MI 48386

Email I sent to parker on 9/17/2026

On 9/01/2026 the grass was over one foot tall. I was hoping that you had hired a company that would continue to maintain the property, so I did not have an ordinance cut at that time.

On 9/15/2026 the weeds were over two feet tall. An ordinance cut was conducted on 9/16/2026. See attached invoice. Please find someone that can maintain the property so the Township can close this case.

Josh Husted

Ordinance Officer

White Lake Township

7525 Highland Road

White Lake, MI 48383

(248) 698-3300 x134

9/17/2026 email from Parker

Mr. Husted,

I dispute the $192.50 ordinance grass-cut charge reflected in the September 17, 2026 notice and invoice for E260279.

I do not admit responsibility for this charge.

Please provide in writing:

1. The procedure for formally contesting the charge;
2. The applicable deadline for doing so;
3. The person or body that reviews the dispute; and
4. Whether collection, citation, or other enforcement concerning this charge will be stayed while a timely dispute is pending.

Please keep all substantive communications concerning this matter in writing.

This email does not waive any objection, claim, defense, or right concerning E260279 or the September 16, 2026 ordinance cut.

Thank you,

Ernest G. Parker
9620 Cooley Lake Road
White Lake, MI 48386


Inspection photo's taken
Taken by Husted on 9/15
from the road right of way


Inspection photo's taken
Taken by Husted on 9/15
from the road right of way

Photographs taken by All-Type while conducting the ordinance cut on 9/16/2026.



Photographs taken by All-Type while conducting the ordinance cut on 9/16/2026.






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Photographs taken by [illegible] while conducting the ordinance cut on 9/16/2026.

Photographs taken by All-Type while conducting the ordinance cut on 9/16/2026.



**From:** Ernie Silver Night Properties
**To:** Permits
**Cc:** Sean O"Neil; Anthony Noble; Rik Kowall; Joshua Husted; Patricia Pergament
**Subject:** FORMAL PROTECTIVE APPEAL — September 17, 2026 Notice / $192.50 Charge — E260279
**Date:** Saturday, September 19, 2026 5:31:05 PM
**Attachments:** E260279_Protective_Appeal_Exhibits_A-C.pdf

**Caution:** This email originated from outside the organization. Do not click links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender and know the content is safe.

Building Official, Property Maintenance Appeals Board, and Township Officials:

This is my formal protective appeal under the applicable White Lake Township Property Maintenance Code and IPMC §111.1 concerning the September 17, 2026 Notice of Violation and $192.50 charge for E260279 at 9620 Cooley Lake Road.

I appeal both the September 17 notice and the $192.50 charge, including the $175 ordinance grass-cut charge and $17.50 administrative fee.

My grounds include:

1. The Township states that the ordinance cut occurred on September 16, 2026, while the Notice of Violation being appealed is dated September 17, 2026.

2. The September 17 notice therefore could not have provided an opportunity to correct the alleged September condition before the September 16 Township cut occurred.

3. Before the cut, I had already requested in writing that the Township identify any current violation, corrective action, notice or order, compliance deadline, and available review procedure.

4. On September 17, immediately after receiving notice of this charge, I disputed the $192.50 amount in writing and specifically requested the procedure and deadline for formally contesting it.

5. I dispute whether the existing E260279 matter, prior notices, or prior enforcement supplied lawful authority for the September 16 cut and resulting charge without a new opportunity to cure.

6. I preserve all objections concerning notice, service, due process, unequal or inconsistent enforcement, entry onto the property, the continuing use of E260279, and the lawfulness and calculation of the charge.

Attached as Exhibits A-C are:

Exhibit A - the September 17, 2026 Notice of Violation and $192.50 invoice;

Exhibit B - my September 15, 2026 written request asking the Township to identify any current violation, notice or order, corrective requirement, compliance deadline, and available review procedure; and

Exhibit C - my September 17, 2026 written dispute of the $192.50 charge and request for the formal contest procedure.

Please:

1. Treat this email as a timely formal appeal and docket it.
2. Provide the appeal or case number and identify the Board and official responsible for hearing the appeal.
3. Provide the hearing date and next required procedural step.
4. Confirm whether citation, collection, lien, tax-roll assessment, additional penalties, or other enforcement concerning the disputed $192.50 will be stayed while this timely appeal is pending.
5. Preserve the September 15 inspection records, September 16 contractor/work records, photographs, measurements, communications, invoice records, and all records concerning the decision to order the September 16 cut.
6. Provide a written final decision following the appeal process.

If the Township contends that an appeal filing fee or particular form is required, please identify the current authority, exact amount, form, payment instructions, and deadline in writing. This appeal should not be treated as withdrawn or abandoned while I await those instructions.

This appeal is separate from my earlier appeal concerning the prior $275 mowing charge. Nothing in this appeal waives any claim, objection, defense, or right concerning that earlier matter or E260279 generally.

Please communicate with me in writing only.

Thank you,

Ernest G. Parker
9620 Cooley Lake Road
White Lake, Michigan 48386

# E260279 - Protective Appeal Exhibit Packet

9620 Cooley Lake Road - September 17, 2026 Notice / $192.50 Charge

| Exhibit | Description |
|---|---|
| A | September 17, 2026 Notice of Violation and $192.50 invoice (original Township PDF attachment) |
| B | September 15, 2026 written status, notice, compliance-deadline, appeal-procedure, and non-consent request |
| C | September 17, 2026 written dispute of the $192.50 charge and request for formal contest procedure |

**Source note.** Exhibit A is the PDF attached by Joshua Husted to the September 17, 2026 Township email. Exhibits B and C are readable reproductions from preserved Outlook message data. Line wrapping and typography are normalized; native mailbox messages remain the source records.

**Purpose.** This packet accompanies the protective appeal of the September 17, 2026 Notice of Violation and $192.50 ordinance grass-cut charge. It is not a replacement for native source records.

# EXHIBIT A

September 17, 2026 Notice of Violation and $192.50 Invoice

Original Township PDF attachment received with Joshua Husted's September 17, 2026 email concerning E260279.

Rik Kowall, Supervisor
Anthony L. Noble, Clerk
Mike Roman, Treasurer

Trustees
Scott Ruggles
Steve Anderson
Andrea C. Voorheis
Liz Fessler Smith

WHITE LAKE TOWNSHIP
7525 Highland Road • White Lake, Michigan 48383-2900 • (248) 698-3300 • www.whitelaketwp.com

# NOTICE OF VIOLATION

09/17/2026

Parker, Ernest G
9620 Cooley Lake
White Lake, MI, 48386-3941

RE: E260279 | 9620 Cooley Lake Rd

This is your notification that a violation at the aforementioned address is present and you must make correction. If compliance and fine(s) are not paid within 10 days, you will be issued a citation requiring an appearance in court. Please notify my office upon receipt of this notice as there will be no other notifications by my office that does not require an appearance by you in court.

**Fees:**
**1st Notice: $100.00**
**2nd Notice: $250.00 (plus balance owed from 1st violation)**
**3rd Notice $500.00 (plus balance owed from prior violations)**
**Miscellaneous Fees: Ordinance Grass Cut**

**Total Owing: $192.50**

Note: This bureau is authorized to accept payment and cost as an admission of responsibility for the Municipal Civil Infraction. The payment of this fine does ***NOT*** in any way release you from the responsibility of correcting this violation or future violations. If it has not been corrected, you have 10 days from the date of this notice to comply. Please contact me at 248-698-3300 ext 134 or email at jhusted@whitelaketwp.com to further discuss this matter.

Josh Husted, Ordinance Officer
White Lake Township
248-698-3300 ext 134
jhusted@whitelaketwp.com

# WHITE LAKE TOWNSHIP

7525 HIGHLAND RD
WHITE LAKE, MI 48383-2938
(248) 698-3300

**Print Date:** 09/17/2026
**Enforcement Number:** E260279
**Enforcement Category:** TALL GRASS/NOXIOUS WEEDS
**Location:** 9620 COOLEY LAKE RD

Item D.

Pay by Account in Full

**Total Balance Due: $192.50**

PARKER, ERNEST G
9620 COOLEY LAKE RD
WHITE LAKE, MI 48386-3941

| Invoice | Number | Date | Due | Adjustments | Payments | Balance |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
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**Total Balance Due: $192.50**

# EXHIBIT B

September 15, 2026 Written Status / Notice / Procedure Request

**From:** Ernie Silver Night Properties <silvernightpropertiesllc@hotmail.com>

**To:** Joshua Husted <jhusted@whitelaketwp.com>

**CC:** Sean O'Neil <SONeil@whitelaketwp.com>

**Timestamp:** September 15, 2026, 4:36:43 a.m. EDT (2026-09-15 08:36:43 UTC)

**Subject:** Subject: E260279 - 9620 Cooley Lake Road - Current Status, September 15 Inspection Entry, and Notice of Non-Consent

Mr. Husted,

I am the owner of 9620 Cooley Lake Road, White Lake, MI 48386.

This email concerns ordinance enforcement matter E260279.

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I request a written response within 10 business days.

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Thank you,

Ernest G. Parker

Property: 9620 Cooley Lake Road

White Lake, MI 48386

# EXHIBIT C

September 17, 2026 Written Dispute of $192.50 Charge

**From:** Ernie Silver Night Properties <silvernightpropertiesllc@hotmail.com>

**To:** Joshua Husted <jhusted@whitelaketwp.com>

**CC:** Sean O'Neil <SONeil@whitelaketwp.com>; Patricia Pergament <PPergament@whitelaketwp.com>

**Timestamp:** September 17, 2026, 2:48:32 p.m. EDT (2026-09-17 18:48:32 UTC)

**Subject:** E260279 - Dispute of September 17, 2026 $192.50 Charge

Mr. Husted,

I dispute the $192.50 ordinance grass-cut charge reflected in the September 17, 2026 notice and invoice for E260279.

I do not admit responsibility for this charge.

Please provide in writing:

1. The procedure for formally contesting the charge;

2. The applicable deadline for doing so;

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Thank you,

Ernest G. Parker

9620 Cooley Lake Road

White Lake, MI 48386

Readable reproduction from preserved Outlook message data. The quoted prior email thread is omitted here because Exhibit A contains the operative September 17 notice/invoice and Exhibit B separately reproduces the September 15 message.