TOWNSHIP OF LAPEER ELECTRICAL COMPLIANCE ORDINANCE NO. 19.1

An ordinance to regulate electrical service capacity within the Township and to provide penalties for the violation thereof.

THE TOWNSHIP OF LAPEER HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. Findings of Fact.

The Township Board hereby finds that:

- A. No more than 200 amperes electrical service is necessary for nearly all residential applications;
- B. Except in extraordinary circumstances, electrical service in excess of 200 amperes is appropriate only for commercial or industrial applications or certain agricultural ones;
- C. Township approval for over 200 amperes electrical service for residential structures or structures accessory to residential uses is necessary to protect the health, safety and welfare of Township residents.

Section 2. Electrical Compliance Permit.

- A. Persons must apply for and receive from the Township an electrical compliance permit when seeking to install electrical service of more than 200 amperes in any of the following circumstances:
 - (i) For any structure or accessory structure in the AE, R1A, R1B or R1C zoning districts;
 - (ii) For any structure used as a dwelling or dwelling unit in any zoning district.
- B. An application for such service shall be on a form prepared by the Township and signed by the owner of the parcel to receive such service.
- C. An application shall be renewed annually.

Section 3. Standards for Permit Approval or Disapproval.

The Township or its designee shall approve an application for an electrical compliance permit or renewal of such permit when the following standards are met:

- A. When the applicant demonstrates that the requested service is necessary for all residential applications within the structure or structures receiving such service;
- B. When the applicant demonstrates that the requested service is necessary for all applications on property that has qualified for an agricultural-products exemption under MCL 205.94(1)(f);
- C. Upon approval following inspection from the Township designated inspector; and all fees paid as established by motion of the Township board.

Section 4. Disapproval; appeal.

Persons aggrieved by a decision of the Township Board may appeal that decision to the Township Board no later than fourteen (14) days after receipt of the Supervisor's decision. The Township Board must overturn the Supervisor's decision upon a finding that his decision was:

- (i) Arbitrary or capricious;
- (ii) Based on an erroneous finding of a material fact; or
- (iii) An abuse of discretion.

Section 5. Penalty.

Any person who shall violate a provision of this ordinance shall be responsible for a municipal civil infraction subject to the penalties specified in the Lapeer Township Civil Infraction Ordinance.

Section 6. Effective date.

This ordinance shall take effect thirty days after publication.

Voting for: D. Walker, P. Thick, W. Marshall, N. Bradford, S. Jarvis

Voting against: None

The chair declared the ordinance adopted.

Dawn M. Walker

Township Clerk

Scott Jarvis

Township Supervisor

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CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true copy of Ordinance No. 19.1 which was enacted by the Lapeer Township Board of Trustees at a regular meeting held on the 12th day of July 2021 and was published in the County Press Newspaper on the 14th day of July 2021.

Dawn M. Walker

Township Clerk