

**TOWNSHIP OF CROCKERY**  
**COUNTY OF OTTAWA, MICHIGAN**

At a regular meeting of the Township Board of the Township of Crockery, held in the Township Hall, Nunica, Michigan, on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025, at 6:30 p.m.

PRESENT: \_\_\_\_\_

ABSENT: \_\_\_\_\_

The following ordinance was offered by Member \_\_\_\_\_ and supported by Member \_\_\_\_\_.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2025-\_\_**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE  
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CROCKERY**

**[Farm Labor Housing]**

THE TOWNSHIP OF CROCKERY ORDAINS:

Section 1.     Definitions. Section 2.02.56 of the Zoning Ordinance of the Township of Crockery is hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows [to the extent that the addition of this new subsection affects the existing numbering scheme of Section 2.02, that numbering scheme shall be amended to incorporate the new subsection in appropriate numerical order]:

**56. Farm Labor Housing** - Living quarters, including housing accommodations, rooming houses, apartments, cabins, dormitories, and mobile homes maintained directly or indirectly in connection with any commercial farming operation by seasonal or permanent farm workers, whether or not rent is paid or reserved for use or occupancy. Sometimes also commonly referred to as an “agricultural labor camp” or housing for migrant workers or migratory laborers. Farm labor housing is also subject to state and federal requirements.



Section 2. Uses Permitted By Right. Section 5.02.17 of the Zoning Ordinance of the Township of Crockery is hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows:

17. Farm labor housing as an accessory use to a commercial farming operation, provided the following conditions are met in addition to the other requirements of the Agricultural District:

- A. The lot on which the farm labor housing is a minimum of 10 acres.
- B. Compliance with the Michigan Public Health Code being Act 368 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1978, as amended, including any rules promulgated pursuant thereto.
- C. The occupants are employed for farm labor or are related to persons currently employed for farm labor by the owner of the property while they occupy the housing.
- D. Farm labor housing must be at least one hundred (100) feet from all side and rear property lines and at least seventy-five (75) feet from the street right-of-way on which the property fronts. Farm labor housing must also be at least one hundred fifty (150) feet from any single-family residence located on a separate parcel of property owned or rented by another individual or entity. Farm labor housing existing as of the effective date of this Ordinance that does not meet these setback requirements may be expanded or enlarged, provided such expansion or enlargement does not reduce the existing distance of such farm labor housing from said property lines and single-family dwellings.
- E. The number of occupants shall not exceed 75 persons per lot.



Section 3.     Use Regulations. Section 10.02 of the Zoning Ordinance of the Township of Crockery is hereby amended with the addition of subsection 9 to read in its entirety as follows:

9. Farm labor housing as an accessory use to a commercial farming operation, provided the following conditions are met in addition to the other requirements of the Commercial Horticultural District:

- A. The lot on which the farm labor housing is located is a minimum of 10 acres.
- B. Compliance with the Michigan Public Health Code being Act 368 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1978, as amended, including any rules promulgated pursuant thereto.
- C. The occupants are employed for farm labor or are related to persons currently employed for farm labor by the owner of the property while they occupy the housing.
- D. Notwithstanding Section 10.05, farm labor housing must be at least one hundred (100) feet from all side and rear property lines and at least seventy-five (75) feet from the street right-of-way on which the property fronts. Farm labor housing must also be at least one hundred fifty (150) feet from any single-family residence located on a separate parcel of property owned or rented by another individual or entity. Farm labor housing existing as of the effective date of this Ordinance that does not meet these setback requirements may be expanded or enlarged, provided such expansion or enlargement does not reduce the existing distance of such farm labor housing from said property lines and single-family dwellings.
- E. The number of occupants shall not exceed 75 persons per lot.



Section 4.     Publication; Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective seven days after its publication or seven days after the publication of a summary of its provisions in a local newspaper of general circulation.

AYES: \_\_\_\_\_

NAYS: \_\_\_\_\_

ORDINANCE DECLARED ADOPTED.

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Kathleen Buchanan, Clerk  
Township of Crockery

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of an ordinance adopted by the Township Board of the Township of Crockery at a public meeting held on the date first stated above, and I further certify that public notice of such meeting was given as provided by law.

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Kathleen Buchanan, Clerk  
Township of Crockery