

**AMENDMENT #2 TO CLEARWATER TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE #22, THE ZONING ORDINANCE
ARTICLE XII - SIGNS AND ARTICLE V – DEFINITIONS**

The following amendment was adopted at a regular meeting of the Clearwater Township Board on November 20, 2013.

An Amendment to Article XII of the Clearwater Township Zoning Ordinance #22 to permit off premises signs for lots without road frontage in all districts other than the Commercial-Light Industry and the Village Commercial Districts.

THE TOWNSHIP OF CLEARWATER ORDAINS:

Section 1. Amendment of Article V

Article V of the Clearwater Township Zoning Ordinance is hereby amended to add the following definitions of “On Premises Sign” and “Off Premises Sign”, which definitions shall read in their entirety as follows:

SIGN, OFF PREMISES – Any sign relating to subject matter not conducted on the premises on which the sign is located.

SIGN, ON PREMISES – Any sign relating in its subject matter to the premises on which it is located, or to products, accommodations, service, or activities on the premises.

Section 2. Amendment of Article XII

Article XII of the Clearwater Township Zoning Ordinance is hereby amended to new Section 12.09, which shall read in its entirety as follows:

12.09 OFF PREMISES SIGNS FOR LOTS WITH NO ROAD FRONTAGE

Except for signs prohibited under Section 12.02 of this Ordinance, off-premises signs shall be permitted in connection with a lot under the terms and conditions of this section.

- A. The lot is located in any zoning district, except the Commercial-Light Industry District and the Village Commercial District.
- B. The lot does not have frontage on any public highway or private access easement developed under Section 4.14 of this Ordinance.
- C. The sign complies with all of the following:
 - 1. The identified premises are within three (3) miles of the sign.

2. The display area of the sign does not exceed fifteen (15) square feet.
3. The sign is located at least ten (10) feet from the public roadway and does not obstruct the view of the traffic entering the public roadway.
4. The sign is no greater than fifteen (15) feet in height above the centerline of the adjacent roadway.
5. No more than (2) off-premises signs are permitted in connection with activities on the same lot.
6. Any sign illumination must be directed toward the sign face, and must not shine, glare, or reflect directly onto adjacent property, or into the line of vision of vehicular traffic.

Section 4. Severability.

If any section, clause, or provision of this Ordinance be declared unconstitutional or otherwise invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, said declaration shall not affect the remainder of the Ordinance. The township Board hereby declares that it would have passed this Ordinance and each part, section, subsection, phrase, sentence and clause irrespective of the fact that any one or more parts, sections, subsections, phrases, sentences or clauses be declared invalid.

Section 5. Effective Date.

Amendment #2 to Ordinance #22, The Zoning Ordinance, was enacted at a regular meeting of the Clearwater Township Board, at which time a quorum was present, on November 20, 2013. This amendment becomes effective eight (8) days after being published in a newspaper of general circulation with the Township.

Larry Niederstadt, Supervisor

Julie Vance, Clerk

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