

Vergennes Township  
Kent County

Ordinance # 2011-  
Adopted

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 4, GENERAL AND SPECIAL REGULATIONS, OF THE VERGENNES TOWNSHIP ZONING ORDINANCE.**

**VERGENNES TOWNSHIP HEREBY ORDAINS:**

**Section 1. Amend Section 201.402 to add new detailed language as shown below:**

**201.402 Accessory buildings, construction timing and location limitation.**

4.02.

- A. Except as provided in Section 3.04, C, 10, in Sections 4.02, B. and 4.02, C, below, and in this paragraph, no accessory building or use shall be used or engaged in prior to the establishment of the principal building or use upon the premises except as a construction facility for the principal building or buildings upon the premises. An accessory building may not be constructed prior to the principal building unless a surety bond, cash deposit or bank letter of credit of an amount approved and accessible by the Township Board is posted prior to the issuance of a building permit and kept in place until the dwelling is built and a certificate of occupancy issued. An applicant shall present to the Board a timeline graph of the proposed construction of the accessory building and the future dwelling and submit a signed statement of the proposed use of the building. The maximum number of years between construction of the accessory building and the dwelling may be set by the Township Board. Accessory buildings, other than minor accessory buildings, shall be subject to the same setback requirements as the principal building and shall be a minimum of ten (10) feet from any other building.

Accessory buildings shall be stick-built or the equivalent new building construction. No mobile home, tank, junk object, or salvage materials, semi-trailer, vehicle or similar item shall be utilized as an accessory building or storage structure, provided, however, that such requirement shall not be applicable to tool sheds, or similar temporary storage structures utilized pursuant to the construction of a building as long as the period of construction does not exceed one year.

**Section 2. Conflicts.** If any provision of the Vergennes Township Ordinance conflicts with this amendment to the Zoning Ordinance, the most restrictive provision shall be applied.

**Section 3. Severability.** Should any section or part of this Ordinance be declared unconstitutional, null or void by a court of competent jurisdiction, such declaration shall not have any effect on the validity of the remaining sections or parts of this Ordinance.

**Section 4. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall become effective eight (8) days after its publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the Township.

VERGENNES TOWNSHIP

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Timothy Wittenbach, Supervisor

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mari Stone, Clerk

Date Published: \_\_\_\_\_