

RV Park Update 1-29-2024

The consulting firm representing the RV Park has submitted the Planning Documents and Site Plan to the Township for the RV Park they are proposing at the corner of St. Ives Drive and 105th – across from the Lake Mecosta public access. The documents were formally submitted to the Township last week. As expected, they are requesting that the 5 parcels of land, totaling 45 acres, be rezoned to ‘Campground’. In addition, they have requested an increased site density that is more than the current Township ordinance of 3 sites/acre. The Site Plan includes ~250 sites.

As of this writing, the Documents have not yet been made publicly available nor scheduled into a Planning Commission meeting. But, it is expected that they will be discussed at the next regularly schedule Commission meeting on Wednesday, February 21st. As more is learned, you will be updated.

Your help with this opposition is appreciated and needed now more than ever. You were encouraged to send letters/email to the Township expressing your opposition and concern. Due to that, the Township has been overwhelmed with letters/email from residents regarding the proposed RV Park. That's great news! Residents are voicing their concerns early and often! Every correspondence is mentioned at the Planning Commission meetings (although individual letters aren't read), the topic (RV Park) identified, and the sentiment (for or against), although there has not been one letter sent that is in support of this development.

As a result of the community involvement, the Township has now created a new email address just for the Planning Commission! All of the correspondence will be distributed to every member of the Planning Commission! The new email address is: planningcommission@mortontownship.org.

If you have already sent a message regarding the proposed development, find your copy and send it again - TO THE NEW EMAIL ADDRESS. Chances are that the Planning Commission members didn't see your previous correspondence, and it can't hurt to repeat your message!

NO RV PARK!

You are also asked to physically attend the Planning Commission Meeting where these Documents will be reviewed. Visible opposition needs to continue. And, bring your neighbor! Sometimes attending the meeting physically during the winter may not be an option. The Township, operating under Michigan's Open Meetings Act, does not allow for remote (Zoom, etc.). This was stopped at the end of 2021 with the dropping of COVID-19 restrictions. *Update:: see 2/7/2024 RV Park update letter for information about how the Township IS allowed to have a remote attendance option for members of the public according to the Michigan Open Meetings Act, but they declined upon the advice of their attorney.*

Please keep yourself updated on all the happenings regarding this proposal. Visit this website page for regular updates about the proposed RV park. Links to official Township documents will be provided as well, when they become available.