

**PUBLIC NOTICE
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CHOCOLAY**

Notice is hereby given that the Charter Township of Chocolay Planning Commission, will hold a public hearing on Monday, July 12, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. at the Charter Township of Chocolay Hall located at 5010 US-41 South, Marquette, MI to consider proposed amendments to the Chocolay Township Zoning Ordinance,

Proposed Text Amendment 34-10-13

Section 4: 4.7 Agriculture / Forestry District (AF)

(B) Permitted Uses:

- 2. Agriculture livestock on lots of 20 acres or more**
- 6. Poultry on lots of 5 acres or less, limit of four (4) chickens, no roosters**

Proposed Text Amendment 34-10-14

Section 2: Definitions

Agriculture: Farming in all its branches, including cultivating soil. Growing and harvesting any agricultural, horticultural, or floricultural commodity and Dairying. Raising livestock, bees, fish, fur-bearing animals, or poultry, including operating a game bird hunting preserve licensed under part 417 of the natural resources and environmental protection act, 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.41701 to 324.41712, and also including farming operations that harvest cervidae on site where not less than 60% of the cervidae were born as part of the farming operation. As used in this paragraph, "livestock" includes, but is not limited to, cattle, sheep, new world camelids, goats, bison, privately owned cervids, ratites, swine, equine, poultry, aquaculture, and rabbits. (Livestock does not include dogs and cats). Raising, breeding, training, leasing, or boarding horses. Turf and tree farming. Performing any practices on a farm incident to, or in conjunction with, farming operations. Agricultural uses include use in a federal acreage set-aside program or a federal conservation reserve program.

A commercial storage, processing, distribution, marketing, or shipping operations and management and harvesting of a wood lot are not part of agricultural operations.

Proposed Text Amendment 34-10-15

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(C) Conditional Uses:

- 14. Wireless Communication Facilities**

Proposed Text Amendment 34-10-16

Section 6: 6.14 Swimming Pools

A swimming pool is any outdoor enclosure located at a private residence designed, intended, or used for the containment of water over twenty-four (24) inches deep, whether construction is below ground level or above ground level, This includes in-ground, above-ground and on-ground swimming pools, hot tubs and spas used for swimming, wading, or other recreational use by owner or tenant of the property upon which the pool is constructed, or by their family or invited guests without payment or fee.

- A.** A swimming pool or appurtenances thereto shall not be constructed, installed, enlarged or altered until an approved Chocolay Township zoning compliance application and a Marquette County building permit have been obtained.
- B.** The outside edge of the pool wall shall not be located closer than ten (10) feet from any rear or side property line. Swimming pools shall not be located in the front yard.
- C.** Each pool shall be enclosed by a fence or wall with a height of at least four (4) feet, sufficient to make such body of water inaccessible to small children. Such enclosure, including gates therein, must not be less than (4) feet above the underlying ground; all gates must be self-latching with latches placed four (4) feet above the underlying ground or otherwise made inaccessible from the outside to small children.
- D.** All swimming pool installations shall comply with the building codes in force in Marquette County and all standard codes referred to therein.

Proposed Text Amendment 34-10-17

Section 10: Planned Unit Development

The Chocolay Township Planning Commission will be reviewing the text and regulations for Planned Unit Developments with Township staff to suggest any changes to this section of the ordinance to make it less complicated, user- friendly and more functional.

Copies of the proposed amendments are available for review and inspection at the following locations, Chocolay Township Office, Chocolay Township Fire Hall, Range Bank, Northern Michigan Bank, Kassel's Corner and Jack's IGA. Our Township Office is open Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. written comments will be received up until May 17, 2010. Questions can be directed to Jennifer Thum at 249-1448 * 220.

The public is hereby urged to be present for the PUBLIC HEARING. Any person desiring to be heard on the proposal as stated above should appear at the time and place above specified.

Jennifer Thum, Zoning Administrator