

**Grant Township
Blight Enforcement Report August 2024**

1) I stopped and spoke with Mr. Aric Monesterski on August 4th about his property and a agreement he, his wife, and I made regarding his continued non-compliance. We agreed on July 12th that since his property was being closed on after a sale of said property that I would stop the letter on non-compliance and issuance of a ticket provided he got all the trash, junk and debris removed from the property before July 26. His wife stated that a home inspection was to take place the week July 22. I spoke to Aric on August 4th and told him that since there has been no effort to remove the trailer full of junk and, in fact, he has brought another one on to the property that is also full of "stuff" that I will be sending him a registered letter with one opportunity to come into compliance or a ticket will be issued and the court will decide what happens next. He stated that his house is sold and is waiting to close, I said you still need to come into compliance or a ticket will follow. I have been more than lenient with Mr. Monesterski over the last few months, but it is time to take full actions. Mr. Monesterski came to the August TWP meeting and accused me of lying to him and asked what law he was breaking. His demeanor was out of control and when his public comment time expired, he was told to sit and then became loud and was informed to calm down. I have never lied to him or any other person in non-compliance. It was the decision of the TWP board to continue to pursue compliance even though his house has been allegedly sold and closing has been scheduled.

UPDATE: Mr. Monesterki has unloaded and cleared his property of the broken down trailer and continues to fill and unload another trailer which would be consistent with a business operation. I have not approached him since the last TWP meeting but I am still keeping an eye on the property.

2) I also spoke to Mr. Ward on N. Sand Lake Road and explained that I was starting the compliance procedure and he will be receiving a letter informing him of 14 days to comply or improve his two properties or a letter of impending citation would be sent to him. He stated that he will be getting a dumpster by the end of next week (8-9-24). I told him I would wait until that date to write a letter if that dumpster gets the job done. I checked this property on 8-13-24 and there has been improvement and Mr. Ward does have a trailer that he states he is moving other debris from his two properties on N. Sand Lake Road. I will continue to check for additional improvement.

3) The letters that I wrote last month were mailed August 5th or 6th and I will following up as I get responses. See July 2024 blight report for these addresses.

4) I wrote a letter to the owner of 1808 Camino informing her of the renters putting a swimming pool in the front yard. I told her that I was not familiar with the rules for pools and that I will be researching this, but did make it clear that there is no fence around it and being in the front yard opens things up to possible tragedy as kids or others have nothing to keep them from getting in.

5) Letters were sent to the following addresses 8-8-2024

A) 51 Cherokee in regards to a trailer that is partially covered and does not appear to be used and debris scattered throughout the property.

B) 5918 Chippewa in regards to a covered trailer in the front yard that needs to be moved to the side of the house behind the front wall.

C) 5931 Chippewa in regards to a dilapidated building on the property. The building is non-inhabitable and needs to be demolished before a possible avoidable event happens.

6) I received a complaint from Mr. Frank Tams in regard to 1316 Oak St and Pine. The complainant states that the people on the property are not using the septic and when they leave sewage is left to stink around the neighborhood.

I investigated the complaint and tried to contact the owners. A letter was sent to bring this issue to the owners attention with request to correct this immediately.

7) I received 2 return receipts from previously mailed registered letters.

A) 763 North Sand Lake Rd.

Problems have been corrected

B) in regards to 3220 Henry - I will be checking for removal of debris.

8) I received 4 non-deliverable, 1 refused receipt, and 1 no response. I will be checking why these letters were returned and not delivered before moving on with ticketing.

- A) 1717 Beaunivista**
- B) 1861 Saginaw**
- C) 1871 Camino**
- D) 1348 N. Sand Lake Rd. (Refused)**
- E) 1344 N. Sand Lake Rd. (No response or call)**

9) The house/cabin at 1432 Michigan has been demolished and will be rebuilt, per the owner, in the spring of 2025. He sates he will be applying for a fence permit in the meantime.

**Norman Andersen,
Blight Control Officer**

**Submitted
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