

**Grant Township
Blight Enforcement Report June, 2025**

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1) Following up on May's report, I have been in touch with several residents / owners of the properties listed on that report.

A) 4980 Carpenter - I spoke to the owner on record and he informed me that he has sold the property and has nothing to do with anymore. I called the tax assessor and got the name of the new owner and have sent a letter to him to see what his plans are for the property and the trailer that blew up. That letter was sent June 4, 2025.

B) 5222 Carpenter - I spoke to the owner, Holly Beckett, about the cabin on her property. She stated that she comes maybe twice a year to the area and the property has not been used for several years. I informed her that the roof has caved in and there is possibilities for animals to occupy the building. She informed me that there is no electric or water service to the cabin and was unaware of the condition, but will work to either fix or tear down the cabin over the summer. I told her I would check her progress monthly and move forward if nothing appears to take place. She lives in Geneses Co. and will contact me when she starts.

C) 4641 Carpenter - I spoke to the owner, Lindsey Thornton and her husband about some issues with their property. The property owners have put up a canvas fence to protect their yard from vandalism taking place because of the increased traffic on Carpenter with the detour passing by their house. This fence was approved by the recent zoning administrator and the owner plans to totally

surround this property as the summer progresses.

They have vehicles that are currently plated and one that will be plated soon as one of his children will be getting their driver's licence this summer. I told him that when he gets the fence completed to please call to make sure any trailers or RVs are properly placed and all debris visible from the road is cleared. They are onboard to get their yard into compliance after several visits or complaints from the TWP.

D) I am still waiting to hear from 5182 Carpenter and 1205 N Sand Lake Rd.

2) I spoke to Rick Snyder who owns the Red Cabin on Sand Lake Rd. He had painted the outside and removed the plywood from the windows and has been keeping the yard cleared of debris. He still has plans for the property but he has decided that fixing it would be harder than just demolishing it and starting from the ground up. He has recently undergone surgery and hopes to start next fall on rebuilding. I told him as long as it looks good the TWP will be fine with it as it stands now,

3) I spoke to Karen MacDonald about her property at 5182 Carpenter. There is work debris as she is in the process of putting on a new roof and it will be completed soon.

4) I left business cards at two properties on Imperial with the hopes the residents will call me to discuss the issues at their properties. These were left because I can not find their addresses on a mail box by their places. If I don't hear within a week I will ask the tax assessor for help with their addressees.

5) I received a call from Amy Reiser in regards to a blighted property on Ash Street. His property has several beer cans and other debris on the property. The complainant also informs me that there is a freezer in the back yard that has decaying meat in it. She knows this because she cuts the grass to make the area look better.

6) I received an anonymous call about a couch located on the 1227 N Sand Lake Road. I made several trips past the location, but was unable to see it.

7) I informed the TWP Treasurer that the so called "Red Cabin" on Sand Lake Rd looks like an everyday residence. The owner will be deciding whether to demolish the property or rebuild, but he has, at least, made it not be an eyesore to the community.

**Norman Andersen,
Blight Control Officer**

**Submitted
July 7, 2025**