

RESOLUTION FOR POLITICAL AND CAMPAIGN SIGNS ON MUNICIPAL
AND NON-MUNICIPAL OWNED PROPERTIES
MAPLE GROVE TOWNSHIP
SAGINAW COUNTY, STATE OF MICHIGAN

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Township Trustees of Maple Grove Township, Saginaw County, State of Michigan, held on the 14th day of October, 2024 at 7:00 p.m., prevailing Eastern Time.

RESOLUTION #: 2024-10-01

PRESENT: Supervisor Krupp, Treasurer Yaros, Clerk Yaros, Trustee Peterman and Trustee Wendling.

ABSENT: None.

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Clerk Yaros and supported by Trustee Peterman.

Purpose

The Township, through its Clerk, conducts elections with polling places located on municipal and non-municipal owned properties, such as schools and churches. With respect to the regulation of political signs on governmental property, a municipality can still regulate or prohibit political signs on their own property. However, there are also special considerations with respect to political signs on Election Day, if there is a polling place on your governmental property.

Policy

Public Act 116 of 1954 as amended, more commonly known as The Michigan Election Law prohibits campaign materials and campaigning within 100 feet of the entrance to any polling place (MCLs 168.744 and 168.931). It also permits electioneering beyond the 100 foot campaign free zone that can be regulated by individual municipalities.

The Maple Grove Township Board has adopted the following policy regarding such signs.

1. **Municipal Owned Properties without a Polling Place** – No unattended signs shall be permitted.
2. **Municipal Owned Properties with a Polling Place** – No unattended signs shall be permitted beyond the 100 foot campaign free zone. The campaign free zone is defined as an area within 100 feet of the entrances to any room that is used as a polling place on Election Day and can, in some cases, be extended further.
3. **Non - Municipal Properties with a Polling Place (Typically Churches and Schools)** – No unattended signs shall be permitted beyond the 100 foot campaign free zone unless written permission is granted by the property owner. Unattended signs without written permission shall be removed by Township personnel. The campaign free zone is defined as an area within 100 feet of the entrances to any room that is used as a polling place on Election Day and can, in some cases, be extended further.

The Township Clerk, Deputy Clerk, any election inspector, code enforcement officer, or any other person authorized by and under the direction of the Township Clerk, may take down, remove and store any such unattended sign on any day an election is conducted in Maple Grove Township under the direction of the Township Clerk. Such signs may be reclaimed by the person responsible for their placement within seven days following the election. If not claimed, they may be destroyed.

Effective Date: October 14, 2024

AYES: Supervisor Krupp, Treasurer Yaros, Clerk Yaros, Trustee Peterman and Trustee Wendling.

NAYS: None.

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.



Tish Yaros, Maple Grove Township Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Trustees of Maple Grove Township, Saginaw County, State of Michigan, at a regular meeting held on October 14, 2024, and that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said Act.