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**[HISTORY: Adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the Township of West Deer 4-18-1962 by Ord. No. 36. Amendments noted where applicable.]**

GENERAL REFERENCES

Subdivision and land development — See Ch. 185.

§ 105-1. **Permit required.**

From and after the passage of this chapter, it shall not be lawful for any person or persons, partnership or corporation to connect any private driveway with a township road within the limits of West Deer Township without first having obtained a permit for same as hereinafter set forth and without constructing said approaches and installing drainage pipes under said driveway approaches in accordance with the minimum specifications hereinafter provided.

**§ 105-2. Permit application.**

Any person or persons, partnership or corporation desiring to connect a private driveway with any Township Road shall first make application to the Township Manager/Secretary for a permit, to which application there shall be attached a sketch showing the proposed connection and drainage facilities to be provided in accordance with the provisions of this chapter and as set forth in Township Drawing No. 1260-1, dated December 1960.<sup>1</sup>

**§ 105-3. Fees. [Amended 1-22-1997 by Ord. No. 265]**

Upon the filing of an application for a permit as herein provided, a fee as set from time to time by resolution of the Board of Supervisors shall be paid to the Township of West Deer to cover the cost of inspections.

**§ 105-4. Minimum specifications.**

The following minimum specifications for the construction of private driveway approaches with township roads and the drainage facilities thereof are herewith adopted:

- A. The minimum shoulder width from the edge of the paved or traveled portion of a township road to the ditch line shall be six feet.
- B. Said shoulder width, commencing at the edge of paved or traveled portion of the township roads, shall slope down to the ditch lines to a minimum depth at the ditch lines of three inches.
- C. Drainage pipes under private driveways shall be installed at a distance of not less than six feet from the edge of the paved or traveled part of the township roads.

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<sup>1</sup> Editor's Note: Drawing No. 1260-1 is on file in the office of the Manager/Secretary.

- D. The minimum diameter of drainage pipe under private driveways shall be 12 inches, and greater, if necessary, to assure free and unobstructed flow of all berm water.
- E. The minimum width of an approach to a township road shall be 12 feet for a single driveway, and wider if, in the judgment of the Township Engineer, this is required for safe egress and ingress to and from the township road.
- F. All drainage pipes under private driveways shall be laid parallel with the gutter line and flow of the ditch water.
- G. The precise size of all drainage pipe and the depth at which the same shall be laid shall be determined by the Township Engineer or other duly constituted agent before installation.
- H. The drainage pipe shall be of standard gauge corrugated metal or better.

**§ 105-5. Inspection.**

Prior to the commencement of any work or driveway approaches, an inspection of the site shall first be made by the Township Engineer or other duly constituted officer or agent of the township.

**§ 105-6. Construction to be responsibility of owner; approval by township.**

The construction of all private driveway approaches and the installation of drainage pipe shall be the responsibility of the property owner, who shall bear the total cost of the same; and upon completion, the materials used and the work done shall be subject to inspection and approval by the township.

**§ 105-7. Copies of drawing to be made available.**

The Township Manager/Secretary shall make available to all applicants for permits copies of Township Drawing No. 1260-1,

dated December 1960, for information and guidance, which drawing by reference hereto is made part hereof.<sup>2</sup>

**§ 105-8. Violations and penalties.<sup>3</sup> [Amended 1-22-1997 by Ord. No. 265]**

Any person, persons, partnership or corporation who shall construct any private driveway approach to a township road without first having obtained a permit as herein required or who constructs same in violation of any of the provisions of this chapter shall, upon conviction thereof before a District Justice, be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than \$1,000 and the costs of prosecution or undergo imprisonment for not more than 30 days, in the discretion of the District Justice.

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<sup>2</sup> Editor's Note: Drawing No. 1260-1 is on file in the office of the Manager/Secretary.

<sup>3</sup> Editor's Note: See also Ch. 1, General Provisions, Art. III, Violations and Penalties.