

To: Bingham Township Board
From: Kathy Egan, Community Development Director
Date: 8/17/2020
Re: Draft Short Term Rental (STR) Ordinance discussion points

In January 2020 the Bingham Township Board formed a committee to review the most recent draft and discussion points on the draft short-term rental ordinance and report their recommendations to the whole board. Committee members are Sandra Grant, Gary McGhee, Steve Patmore, and Kathy Egan. Due to scheduling conflicts and COVID-19, the committee did not meet until July 29, 2020.

The attached draft version of a Short-term Rental ordinance includes the recommendations of that committee. The changes from the previous draft (dated Jan 2020) are shown in red.

It should be noted that although a previous draft was reviewed by the township attorney, there has been some additions and changes that have not been reviewed. Section 4.I is one such section and the committee expressed concern with the current wording in that the standard may not be in the purview of Bingham Township. The committee recommends having the legal counsel review the standard.

Section 4.I For any short-term rentals on shared driveways or private drives, there shall be a maintenance agreement filed with the application, per the standards of the Bingham Township Zoning Ordinance.

NEXT STEPS

There are several more steps that will need to be taken before a Short-term Rental Program can be implemented in the Township. They include:

- Resubmit the entire draft to the township attorney for a review of the entire document; or have the township attorney review only the sections where the Township Board has questions or concerns.
- Develop the Permit Application to coincide with the requirements in the Ordinance.
- Develop a set of Policies and Procedures which will be the guide as to how the permitting and renewal process will be operated.
- Hold a public hearing for input.
- Adopt an Ordinance.
- Implement the program.