

**PENINSULA TOWNSHIP  
GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY, MICHIGAN  
ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT NO. 203**

**Section 1. Amendment of Section 3.2, Definitions:** The Peninsula Township Zoning Ordinance, Section 3.2, shall be amended to delete the definition of Roadside Stand and add the definition of Farm Stand as specified below:

Section 3.2 Definitions:

Delete definition of Roadside Stand and replace it with Farm Stand

Farm Stand: A Farm Stand is a structure or display area where marketing and transactions between farm operators and their customers take place. Such Farm Stand shall only be operated as an accessory use of a Farm Operation engaged in the Active Production of Farm Products within Peninsula Township. **(ADDED BY AMENDMENT 203)**

**Section 2. Amendment of Subsection 6.7.2 (8), Farm Stand** (formerly referred to as a Roadside Stand): The Peninsula Township Zoning Ordinance, Subsection 6.7.2(8), shall be amended to read as follows:

Section 6.7.2 Uses Permitted by Right: **(REVISED BY AMENDMENT 203)**

- (8) Farm Stand: A Farm Stand is an accessory use to the Active Production of Farm Products by a Farm Operation. A Farm Stand is subject to the following conditions:
- (a) The Farm Stand shall be located on a parcel that is owned or controlled by the Farm Operation that produces the products offered for sale at the Farm Stand.
  - (b) One Farm Stand shall be allowed per parcel.
  - (c) The Farm Stand may be located on a parcel controlled by the Farm Operation that is not engaged in Active Production provided the Farm Operation controls another parcel(s) within Peninsula Township that is engaged in the Active Production of Farm Products.
  - (d) The only items that may be offered for sale at a Farm Stand are Raw Produce and processed products as noted below.
  - (e) Processed products will be considered as produced by the Farm Operation if at least 50 percent of the product's primary or namesake ingredient was produced on and by the Farm Operation, such as apples used in apple pie, maple sap in maple syrup, strawberries in

strawberry jam, etc.

- (f) A minimum of 50 percent of all items offered for sale must be produced and/or processed by the Farm Operation that controls the Farm Stand measured by retail floor space during peak production season, or 50 percent of the average gross sales for up to the previous five years or as outlined in a business plan.
- (g) No Farm Stand shall be located within a road right-of-way.
- (h) All Farm Stands shall meet the setback requirements of Section 6.8.
- (i) No Farm Stand greater than 120 square feet in area shall be located closer than 165 feet from all existing non-farm residences.
- (j) If a tent or table is used as a Farm Stand it shall be properly staked or weighted to withstand wind and severe weather.
- (k) Parking surfaces for Farm Stands may be vegetative, ground, pavement, or other suitable material. All other aspects of parking for Farm Stands shall meet the requirements of Section 7.6. There shall be a minimum of five (5) parking spaces located outside of the road right-of-way. For structures or areas greater than 150 square feet, there shall be a ratio of one additional parking space per 150 square feet. (As an example, a 300 square foot structure or area will require 6 parking spaces.)
- (l) Signage shall meet the requirements of Section 7.11.
- (m) Exterior lighting shall meet the requirements of Section 7.14.
- (n) A Land Use Permit is required for all Farm Stands.
- (o) Access permits may be required from the Grand Traverse County Road Commission (GTCRC) or the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT). Private Road Association approval may also be required.
- (p) All necessary Building, Electrical and Plumbing permits shall be obtained from the Grand Traverse County Building Department per Construction Code for all proposed Farm Stands.