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PUBLIC HEARING UPDATE Ordinance Section 5.02.01 (Funneling) and 5.02.02 (Boats & Docks)

FUNNELING ORDINANCE (Section 5.02.01) - "RE-DO" OF 8/25/25 PUBLIC HEARING:

- At its 9/4/25 Regular Meeting, the Helena Township Planning Commission announced the need to "RE-DO" the 8/25/25 Public Hearing pertaining to Ordinance Section 5.02.01 (Funneling).
- The need to "re-do" is a result of improper notice being given to the public. The notice, published in the Antrim Review on 8/14/25 provided only 11 days' notice instead of the required 15 days.
- NEXT PUBLIC HEARING Ordinance (Section 5.02.01 Funneling):
 A new Public Hearing has been set for Thurs., Oct. 2, 2025 at 5:00 pm.

BOATS & DOCKS ORDINANCE UPDATE - "RE-DO" OF 6/19/25 PUBLIC HEARING:

- At its 9/4/25 Regular Meeting, the Helena Township Planning Commission was advised (as it was on 6/19/25) that, proper notice was not provided for the 6/19/25 Public Hearing pertaining to Ordinance Section 5.02.02 (Boats & Docks).
- It was stated, just as the Planning Commission agreed to "re-do" the 8/25/25 Public Hearing due to improper notice, they must also re-do the 6/19/25 Public Hearing. The notice, published in the Antrim Review on 6/12/25 only provided 7 days' notice instead of the required 15 days.
- The Planning Commission responded -- they "will look into it".
- *Note: The first version of Ordinance Section 5.02.02 (Boats & Docks) was passed on 4/3/25 allowing 2 boats per 100 feet of shoreline and 1 boat for each additional 50 feet.
- A second version of the Ordinance Section 5.02.02 (Boats & Docks) was passed on 6/19/25 allowing 4 boats per 100 feet of shoreline and 1 boat for each additional 25 feet of shoreline which doubled the number of boats allowed per 100 feet.

If you have interest in either of the above issues, be sure to check our website <u>www.HTAGroup.org</u> for updates and PLEASE attend the upcoming meetings to ask questions and provide your ideas.

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