

2020 Forest Township Building Requirements

Because of changes in Becker County Planning and Zoning, Forest Township developed the following procedures to follow when proposing any new building activities within Forest Township. All forms can be obtained under zoning on the Forest Township website, foresttownshipmn.net.

If you have any questions, please call Lynn Lindow, 218-573-3765.

Forest Township Site Permit Approval Procedure

Introduction:

This procedure must be followed by all property owners who undertake construction in the Forest Township Conservation District. The Conservation District is all property not included in the Shoreland District. The Shoreland District is described as the first tier of riparian property and is measured from the OHWL(ordinary high water level) landward 267 feet on recreational development lakes, 400 feet on natural environment lakes, and 300 feet on all river classes. (Forest Township Zoning Ordinance Section 7, Subdivision 1)

Purpose:

The purpose of this procedure is to give property owners a simple and concise process for compliance with the Forest Township Conservation District Zoning requirements. It is intended to assure effective implementation of the Forest Township Zoning Ordinance with clear step-by-step directions.

Procedure:

1. Property owner/applicant submits The Forest Township Permit Application or the Becker County Planning & Zoning Site Permit Application and appropriate fee to Forest Township Clerk prior to any site work and preferably prior to submission to the County.
2. Forest Township Clerk forwards Site Permit Application to Supervisor responsible for inspecting the site.
3. Supervisor arranges site visit with property owner/applicant to inspect the staked site. **NOTE: Site visit must occur by the Township Supervisor prior to any groundwork or construction.**
4. The Site Permit Application will be reviewed by Town board at next Township board meeting. (second Tuesday of every month, Forest Town Hall 6:30 pm)
5. Property owner/applicant must notify Supervisor to arrange site visit after footings are in place. (Supervisor will issue footing approval)
6. Property owner/applicant must notify Supervisor to arrange final visit after construction is complete.
7. Forest Township Board will review final construction at next Town board meeting; issue final Approval; and send copy to property owner.