

**Helena Township Planning Commission  
Helena Township Community Center  
8751 Helena Road  
Alden, Michigan 49612**

**Public Hearing**

- **Date/Time: Thursday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> , 2025 at 5:00pm in the Helena Township Community Center**
- **Topic: Helena Township Ordinance Chapter 5, Section 5.02.01**

**CHAPTER 5: SUPPLEMENTAL REGULATIONS:**

**SECTION 5.02: SUPPLEMENTAL WATERFRONT, LAKE, STREAM, FLOOD PLAIN, AND WETLANDS REGULATIONS**

**SECTION 5.05.01: Private Water Front Access (Vacant)**

**Current Ordinance**

- A. All private accesses will conform to a minimum width of 100 feet at the front yard setback line and a minimum lot area of 20,000 square feet.
- B. No buildings, structures, or dwellings shall occupy a private designated waterfront access.
- C. All private waterfront accesses can support two non-waterfront dwelling units.
- D. Any additional two non-waterfront dwelling units may be added to the above use density provided all of the following are complied with:
1. Application is made to the Planning Commission for Special Use Permit, pursuant to Chapter 6. 2.
  2. An environmental impact study accompanies the application with the environmental impact study considering any adverse effect the use would have on: the lake shore; the greenbelt; and water quality.
  3. The Planning Commission approves the application and, in addition to finding that the standards in Chapter 6 are met, considers:
  4. (a) lot sizes greater than 100 feet but less than two normal 100 foot 'R-1' zone lots; and (b) carefully considers the environmental impact in light of the environmental impact study.

**Updated Ordinance Language**

- A. All private accesses will conform to a minimum width of 100 feet at the front yard setback line and a minimum lot area of twenty thousand (20,00) square feet.*
- B. No buildings, structures, or dwellings shall occupy a private designated waterfront access.*
- C. All private waterfront accesses can support two (2) contiguous non-waterfront dwelling units.*

Respectfully Submitted, Fay M. VandenBerg, Helena Township Planning Commission

**Note:** Posted at Helena Township Hall on September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025, and  
In Antrim Review/Circle North on September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2025, and  
Sent to contiguous townships and Antrim County on September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025