25.0100  SLUDGE DISPOSAL MANAGEMENT ORDINANCE  
TOWNSHIP OF GRAND HAVEN, MICHIGAN  
ord. no. 47 eff. Feb. 24, 1982

An Ordinance to regulate the disposal of waste water treatment plant sludge on land within the Township, to require the Township to maintain certain records relating thereto, and to provide penalties for the violation of this Ordinance.

THE TOWNSHIP OF GRAND HAVEN, OTTAWA COUNTY, MICHIGAN ORDAINS:

25.0101  Sec. 1  TITLE

This Ordinance may be known as the "Grand Haven Township Sludge Disposal Management Ordinance."
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25.0102  Sec. 2  DEFINITION

Sludge is the solid, ash, sludges, and/or other substances removed by or resulting from the treatment of waste water. The term also includes untreated waste water, but, for the purpose of this Ordinance, the term does not include activated sludge which has been vacuum filtered and heat-dried, so that the average moisture content is less than ten percent (10%).
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25.0103  Sec. 3  CERTIFICATE INFORMATION

Whenever a 1*person desires to apply sludge or to have sludge applied to his or her land or lands located within the Township, he or she shall file with the Grand Haven Township Building Inspector a certificate which shall contain the following information:

1. The name and address of the title owner of the real property; if the person desiring to apply sludge or to have it applied is not the title owner of the real property, the certificate shall also contain the nature of the interest in the real property which the person making the certificate has.

2. The source of the sludge; i.e., which waste water treatment plant or plants produced the sludge;

3. The name of the person who will be applying the sludge to the land, and whether the sludge will be applied on the surface or to the sub-surface;

1("Person" includes an individual, partnership or corporation.)
4. The name and address of the person making the certificate;

5. The method utilized by the producer of the sludge to stabilize the sludge;

6. Acknowledgment by the person making the certificate that the information contained in the certificate is complete, true, and accurate to the best of his or her knowledge, information and belief. This acknowledgment shall be signed, made under oath, and notarized.

7. Payment of the twenty five dollars ($25.00) recording fee for the certificate.  

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25.0104 Sec. 4 CERTIFICATE REQUIRED

No person shall apply sludge to his or her lands, nor permit anyone else to apply sludge to his or her lands, or lands in which he or she has an interest, without first filing the certificate required by Section 3 (25.0103) above. 

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25.0105 Sec. 5 PENALTY

Any person who violates this Ordinance or any section thereof, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to a fine not to exceed one hundred dollars ($100.00), and/or thirty (30) days in jail, in addition to Court costs. 

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25.0106 Sec. 6 RECORD OF CERTIFICATES

The Township Building Inspector shall maintain a permanent record of the certificates required by this Ordinance. The certificate fees may be used for this purpose, upon appropriate resolution by the Township Board of Trustees. The recording fees for the certificates shall be established from time to time by resolution of the Township Board of Trustees. 

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25.0107 Sec. 7 EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days after its publication in the Grand Haven Tribune. 

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