

Realities and Code of Country Living

(with thanks to the Town of Adams, Green County)

WHEREAS you are applying for a driveway permit to construct a residence on land zoned agricultural;

WHEREAS the Town of York Board of Supervisors wants to provide security to farms and agribusiness operating in our town as well as provide protection for you and your property;

WHEREAS what may be pleasant to one may be offensive to another; meet your neighbors so you understand their perspective;

THEREFORE the Town of York Board of Supervisors uses this means to educate and inform applicants who apply for driveway permits of potential drawbacks of country living such as:

- NOISE: from traffic, animals, tractors, motors, dryers, etc.
- TRAFFIC: from semis, trucks, tractors, farm equipment, sprayers, wide slow-moving vehicles, stray cattle, etc.
- DUST: from traffic, soil blowing, chopping hay, pollen, etc.
- ODOR: from farms, feedlots, chemicals, fertilizers, manure, slurry, etc.
- SPRAYING: of pesticides, fertilizer, etc.
- FENCES: Landowners with or without animals are responsible for maintaining a legal fence (See Chapter 90.05 of the WI State Statutes).
- SIGHT: from materials, parts, vehicles, etc. stored outside.
- PUBLIC SERVICES: reduced from city living – no garbage pickup, no bus pickup, no mail delivery on private roads
- EMERGENCY SERVICES: longer response times for fire, police, ambulance, etc.
- WINTER ROAD MAINTENANCE: could be snow-covered and slippery longer. Plows do not run 24 hours a day. No plowing of private drives in subdivisions.
- EXPANSION: A farm presently operating in the Town should have the right to expand so long as they follow all applicable state, county, and other ordinances and building codes.

- LIGHTING: We would encourage shaded lighting to minimize illumination providing adequate lighting, supporting an energy-wise, environmentally friendly rural community atmosphere.

As an applicant for a driveway/building permit, I have read/understood the above statement. (To be submitted with Driveway Permit application)

_____ Applicant

_____ Date