



## REDWOOD COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL OFFICE

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**TO:** Redwood County Board of Adjustment  
**FROM:** Nick Brozek *NB*  
Land Use and Zoning Supervisor  
Redwood County Environmental Office  
**DATE:** June 26, 2019  
**RE:** Public Hearing on *Application for Variance*: TMB Sports Inc.

### **TMB Sports Inc. – setback for structures and trees from the road right-of-way**

A public hearing will be held on July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019, at 1:30 p.m. regarding an Application for Variance filed by Bob Dolan of TMB Sports Club Inc., pursuant to Redwood County Code of Ordinances, Title XV, Section 153.026, to the required setbacks from the public road right-of-way set forth in Redwood County Code of Ordinances, Title XV, Sections 153.144 and 153.288.

TMB Sports Club Inc. (TMB) owns and operates a baseball field located at 28736 Dayton Avenue, Milroy. The field is the primary home site of the Milroy Irish Baseball Club, an amateur baseball team. The TMB obtained a previous variance in 2010, to construct the right field fence only 75 feet from the edge of the right-of-way of Dayton Avenue (County Hwy 59).

Now TMB is seeking to construct an electronic media board/scoreboard in line with, or just outside of, the right field fence. The scoreboard will be 40 feet long, 1 foot deep (or wide), and 28 to 30 feet tall. It will be set back about 70 to 75 feet from the right-of-way of Dayton Avenue. Dayton Avenue is a 100 foot road, meaning that the right-of-way measured 50 feet on either side of the center line. Redwood County Code of Ordinances, Title XV, Section 153.144 requires that all structures be set back at least 67 feet from the right-of-way, meaning that normally the scoreboard would need to be set back 117 feet from the center line of the road. Consequently, TMB is seeking a variance of 47 feet from the required 67 setback from the road right-of-way.

TMB is also seeking to plant 6 maple or evergreen trees along Dayton Avenue. TMB wishes to plant these trees 5 feet off of the right-of-way, or 55 feet from the center line of Dayton Avenue.

Staff spoke with Bill Lightfoot, Chair of the Underwood Township Board of Supervisors, about the proposed project. Lightfoot stated that the township is not opposed to the project, since the road is a county road. Lightfoot also stated that in his experience, snow accumulation is not an issue on that part of Dayton Avenue.

Staff also spoke to Redwood County Highway Engineer, Keith Berndt, about the project. Berndt said that he does not believe that the scoreboard will cause any issues for the roadway. He also stated that planting six maple trees 5 feet off of the right of way will not cause any issues on the roadway. However, Berndt thought that planting evergreen trees could cause snow accumulation on the roadway.

Pursuant to Redwood County Ordinance, written notice shall be provided to all property owners of record within five hundred (500) feet of the affected property via U.S. Mail as to the time and place of the public hearing. Further, written notice shall also be provided to the affected board of township supervisors and the municipal council of any municipality within two (2) miles of the affected property.

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cc: Bob Dolan