

DENMARK TOWNSHIP
ZONING/USE/PERMIT APPLICATION

Date Received: _____

Date Accepted: _____

Legal Description & Parcel Identification Number: 14.027.20.33.0003

Pt E 1/2 - W 1/2 - SW 1/4 Being S 726ft of W 300ft Subj to Eare Section 16
Township 027 RANGE 020

IS THIS TORRENS PROPERTY: yes _____ no X _____

PROPERTY IS CURRENTLY ZONED Agricultural A2

Project Address: 14142 90th St

Owner Name: Matt Ruben Phone: 651-242-8747

Address: 14142 90th St

City: Hastings State: MN Zip: 55033

Email Address: (for electronic reports) rubercustomsawmill@outlook.com

Applicant (if different from Owner):

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ State: _____

Email Address: (for electronic reports) _____

Type of Request:

- | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Variance | <input type="checkbox"/> Lot Line Adjustment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rezoning/Ordinance Amendment | <input type="checkbox"/> Administrative Minor Lot Split |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Conditional Use Permit ?? | <input type="checkbox"/> Minor Subdivision |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Interim Use Permit | <input type="checkbox"/> Major Subdivision |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Certificate Of Compliance | <input type="checkbox"/> Planned Unit Development |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ag Certificate Of Compliance | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |

Description of Request: Business from home; see attached letter.

Signature of Owner: Sign Name- [Signature] Date: 4/27/20

Print Name- Matt Ruben

Signature of Applicant: Sign Name- _____ Date: _____

(if different from owner) Print Name- _____

April 27, 2020

Denmark Township Certificate of Compliance: Home Occupation

Re: Letter dated from City of Cottage Grove April 14, 2019, received April 18th, 2020.

Re: Ruben Custom Sawmill and Woodworks

Dear Denmark Twp. Town Board,

I am applying for home occupation status for my part time business, Ruben Custom Sawmill and Woodworks. For clarification and informational purposes, the functions of the business are as follows:

- Collect and store logs from urban tree removals and storm damage.
- Mill logs on a 26hp gas-powered bandsaw mill.
- Kiln dry product in a small batch electric powered vacuum kiln to United States Department of Agriculture standards.
(https://www.woodweb.com/knowledge_base_images/zp/drying_hardwood_lumber.pdf.)
- Sell kiln dried product to the general public and professional woodworkers.
- Consult, design and produce custom furniture/wood products.

I have reviewed the Town Code, Chapter Two, Part 3, Performance Standards 2.23(2)(C), and I believe that those standards are met for the home occupation.

1. *No person, other than the residents of the premise, shall be engage in such home occupation.*
 - a. I Matt Ruben, and my wife, Antonia Ruben are (and have been) the only employees.
2. *No traffic shall be generated by any home occupation in significantly greater volume than would normally be expected from a single family residence.*
 - a. In the past, we had "Open House" sales, however those types of events have ceased to exist since 3/22/20. We are proposing by appointment only Monday-Friday 1pm-7pm and Saturday 9am-4pm, and limited to four customers per day.
3. *The home occupation shall not constitute, create or increase a nuisance to the criteria and standards established in Chapter Two, Part 3, Section 1.3 Environmental Regulations.*
 - a. The sawmill runs on a 26hp gas engine, similar to riding lawnmower engines. The sawmill, in general, is not used during the cold winter months of November thru February. When used, the amount of time is very minimal. For example, most logs take less than 10 minutes to mill, 2-3 days per week, and on most days 3 or less logs are milled. Sawdust generated from milling is disposed in a compost pile. The kiln operates on electric power only, and only discharges water back into the earth.

4. *There shall be no outdoor display or storage of goods, equipment or materials for the home occupation.*

- a. Kiln dried lumber is stored inside the woodshop, wet lumber and logs are stored in the back of the property or sheds. The sawmill and skid steer is kept under a shed.

Please consider that the sawmill is used to produce lumber for personal use in addition to what may be considered business use. I have outlined above what I believe to be true and honest for the impact of business function at our home location. Additionally, the sawmill is used mostly for milling at customer sites.

Thank you for your consideration. If any member of the Town Board has questions or concerns, please contact me at 651.242.8747.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Matt Ruben".

Matt Ruben

