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Dear Board of Trustees:

As you know, Section 2.4(h) of the Township's Administrative Policies authorize the Township Board to initiate litigation for violations of local or state laws. I am writing to request the initiation of litigation against the property owner(s) of 9885 Cedar Island Road (the "Property").

We were made aware of a situation involving the occupancy of a structure on the Property. A visual inspection from the exterior by the Building Official and Fire Chief disclosed a number of building and fire code violations. Last week, on December 13, the Fire Department responded to a report of heavy smoke in the area of 9885 Cedar Island Road. The Fire Department arrived at 9885 Cedar Island Road to find a vehicle fire in close proximity of the mobile home structure that sits on this property. The fire had extended to the debris field (junk) that had been placed/discarded in the area between the vehicle and the structure. Upon their arrival, there were several explosions. The property owner was found occupying the structure and was immediately assisted by our Fire Department. The fire was extinguished with no obvious damage to the structure.

Although the property owner in the past has told the Township that he is not using the structure on the Property as his residence, the Fire Chief observed that it appears that he is living in the structure and said that the owner did not even notice the fire or the explosions that occurred while they were there responding to the situation.

This is an unsafe situation. Therefore, I am requesting that the Township Board authorize litigation against the property owner for violations of the Township's Ordinances.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss this matter further, please contact me.

Rik Kowall