

Washington Township Zoning Office  
**John K. Hurlow, Chief Zoning Inspector**

**Office Hours:**

Monday 3:00pm to 5:00pm (Except Holidays)

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The zoning office is open every Monday (except Holidays) from 3:00pm - 5:00 pm. It is located in the township fire department at 2480 O'Possum Run Road (use door 1). Messages or zoning questions can be left at (419) 756-7256 or via [e-mail](mailto:zoning@washingtontwp.us) to [zoning@washingtontwp.us](mailto:zoning@washingtontwp.us)

John K. Hurlow is the ninth zoning inspector for Washington Township and has been serving since 1986. The responsibilities of the Zoning Inspector are as follows:

- Issuing permits for all buildings, additions, decks, accessory buildings, swimming pools and agriculture buildings.
- Investigating violations of zoning regulations
- Organizing hearings before the Board of Zoning Appeals

The Board of Zoning Appeals:

The board is empowered to perform four tasks:

1. The hearings of variance requests from specific zoning standards, where, owing to special conditions of the land, literal enforcement of those standards is alleged to cause a hardship to a property owner.

2. The hearing of requests for conditional uses, uses which may not be detrimental to surrounding properties, but might more intensely affect those properties.

3. To hear and decide appeals where it is alleged there is an error in any order, requirement, decision, or determination made by the Zoning Inspector in the enforcement of the zoning resolution.

4. The board may hear requests for changes in non-conforming uses. The Board of Zoning Appeals is autonomous: its decisions must be appealed to the County Court of Common Pleas.

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