

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF COMMERCE
CANADIAN GEESE NEST DESTRUCTION APPLICATION POLICY**

Purpose:

In order to control geese populations, the Charter Township of Commerce has adopted the following policy consistent with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources' requirements. After submittal of the information listed below, the Township Board of the Charter Township of Commerce will consider a Resolution for Goose Nest Destruction.

The following shall be provided to the Charter Township of Commerce Clerk's Office:

A signed petition representing 70% of the waterfront property owners of record which clearly states that those signing the petition understand that geese nests will be destroyed. The Clerk's office shall verify the signatures on the Petition and may enlist the assistance of other Township departments. A resolution shall not be considered until the signatures have been verified.

Documentation that alternative measures have been used in an effort to control geese which may include hunting, no-feeding bans, habitat modification, fencing, barriers, repellents, or scare techniques such as scarecrows, flags, reflective tape and harassment. A statement alone that such alternative measures have been used is not sufficient documentation.

The contact information for the contracted private licensed animal control company intended to be used for the nest destruction.

Policy Adopted: August 13, 2019