

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
AIR QUALITY DIVISION
ACTIVITY REPORT: Scheduled Inspection

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FACILITY: GROVE INDUSTRIAL INC.		SRN / ID: N2240
LOCATION: 2901 S M-76, WEST BRANCH		DISTRICT: Bay City
CITY: WEST BRANCH		COUNTY: OGEMAW
CONTACT:		ACTIVITY DATE: 10/21/2020
STAFF: Nathanael Gentle	COMPLIANCE STATUS: Compliance	SOURCE CLASS: MINOR
SUBJECT: Scheduled inspection. Voided permits associated with site. No active permits. Location currently used to sell deer/animal feed. Present activities conducted at the site do not appear to require an air permit.		
RESOLVED COMPLAINTS:		

On Wednesday, October 21, 2020, N. Gentle arrived onsite at 10 AM to conduct an inspection at the former site of Grove Industrial Inc. Located at 2901 M-76, West Branch, MI, Grove Industrial Inc specialized in milling custom tongue groove paneling and log siding. The facility was issued PTI 645-89 on December 1, 1989 for a Kremlin airless paint booth. The permit was voided on February 1, 2012. One other voided permit, PTI 388-91, is associated with the location. The permit was for spot welders for Lakeside Stamping Inc.

Background

As part of the pre-inspection, the previous inspection report completed by S. LeBlanc on 1/27/2012 was reviewed. The report described that Grove Industrial Inc was no longer in business. The property had been purchased in 2010. At the time of the 2012 inspection, Ogemaw County Equalization listed Joyce Little as the property owner. S. LeBlanc visited the facility and met with the property owner's grandson who said all equipment, including the paint booth, was removed prior to acquisition of the property. A request for voidance of permit 645-89 was requested and the permit was voided on February 1, 2012.

Facility

Current property owners are listed as Brian and Melissa Little in the Ogemaw County tax records. The property is still zoned as commercial. No business was found to be currently associated with the address while completing an online search. An onsite inspection was conducted to determine if an operation requiring air permits was presently located at the facility. Upon arrival the building appeared to be vacant with various deer/animal feed items for sale in the parking lot. A stack emitting smoke from a wood boiler was visible. I spoke with the son of the present owner and explained why I was there. He said they recently regained control of the property following family complications. Currently the location is being used to sell deer/ animal feed only. He said no units producing air emissions are present other than the wood boiler. When asked about future plans for the property he explained they were hoping to turn it into a sporting goods store.

Compliance Evaluation

Equipment previously permitted and associated with the site are no longer present at the location. There are no active permits with the site. Present activities conducted do not appear to require air permits.

Summary

AQD District Staff conducted a site inspection at the former Grove Industrial Inc facility. Presently, the location is being used to sell deer/animal feed. Future plans for the facility are to open a sporting goods store.

Nathanael Gentle

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DATE 10/26/2020SUPERVISOR *Chris Hare*