

TOWN OF LOWELL
E-9-1-1 PHYSICAL ADDRESSING
ORDINANCE

I. PURPOSE:

The purpose of this ordinance is to enhance the easy and rapid location of properties by law enforcement, fire, rescue and emergency medical services personnel in the Town of Lowell.

II. AUTHORITY:

This ordinance is adopted pursuant to and consistent with Municipal Home Rule Powers as provided for in Article VIII, Part 2, Section 1 of the Constitution of the State of Maine and Title 30-A M.R.S.A. Section 3001.

III. ADMINISTRATION:

This ordinance shall be administrated by the Selectpersons or their designee who are authorized to and shall assign road names and numbers ,to all properties, both on existing and proposed roads, in accordance with the criteria in Section 4 and 5, and shall be responsible for maintaining the following official records of this ordinance.

- A. A map of the Town of Lowell for official use showing road names and numbers.
- B. An alphabetical list of all property owners as identified by current assessment records, by last name, showing the assigned numbers.
- C. An alphabetical list of all roads with property owners listed in order of their assigned numbers.

IV. NAMING SYSTEM.

All roads that serve two or more properties shall be named regardless of whether the ownership is public or private. A "road" refers to any highway, road, street, avenue, lane, private way, or similar paved, gravel, dirt thoroughfare. "property" refers to any property on which a more or less permanent structure has been erected or could be placed. A road name assigned by the Town of Lowell shall not constitute or imply acceptance of the road as a public way.

The following criteria shall govern the naming system.

- A. No two roads shall be given the same name (no Pine Road and Pine Lane)
- B. No two roads should have similar -sounding names (Beech Street and Peach Street.)
- C. Each road shall be the same name throughout its entire length within the Town of Lowell.

V. NUMBERING SYSTEM:

Numbers shall be assigned every 50 feet along both sides of the road, with even numbers appearing on the left side of the road and odd numbers appearing on the right side of the road, ascending from the numbers origin.

The following criteria shall govern the numbering system:

- A. All numbering shall originate at the four corner intersection of Main Road, East and West, Escutarsis Road and Tannery Road, and hereinafter referred to as the base point and the four roads hereinafter referred to as the base roads,) for dead end roads numbering shall originate at the intersection of the adjacent road and terminate at the dead end.
- B. The numbers assigned to each structure shall be that of the numbered interval falling closest to the front door or the driveway of said structure if the front door cannot be seen from the main road.
- C. Every structure with more than one principle use or occupancy shall have a separate number each use or occupancy.
- D. Apartments will have one property number, followed by an apartment number.

VI. COMPLIANCE:

All owners of structures shall by the date stipulated in Section 8, display and maintain in a conspicuous place on said structure, the assigned numbers in the following manner:

- A. Number on the Structure: Where the structure is within Fifty(50) feet of the edge of the road right-of-way and visible from the right-of-way, the assigned number shall be displayed on the front of the structure in the vicinity of the front door or entry.

B. Number at Street Line: Where the structure is over fifty(50) feet from the edge of the road right-of-way or not visible from the right-of-way, the assigned number shall be displayed both on the structure and on a post ,fence, wall, the mail box, or on some structure at the property line adjacent to the walk or access drive to the numbered structure.

C. Size and Color Number:

Numbers shall be a minimum Four (4) inches high and be of a contrasting color background

D. Every person whose duty is to display the assigned number shall remove any different number which might be mistaken for, or confused with, the number assigned in conformance with this ordinance.

E. Interior Location: All residents and other occupants ,are requested to post their assigned number and road name adjacent to their telephone for emergency use.

VII. NEW DEVELOPMENTS AND SUBDIVISIONS;

All new construction and subdivisions shall be named and numbered accordance with the provisions of this ordinance and as follows:

A. New Construction:

When every residence or other structure is constructed or developed , it shall be the duty of the new owner to procure an assigned number from the Board of Selectpersons or their designee. This shall be done prior to issuance of the building permit.

B. New Subdivisions;

Any prospective subdivider shall show a proposed road name and lot numbering system on the pre-application submission to the Planning Board , Approval by the Selectpersons or their designee after consultation with the Planning Board, shall constitute the assignment of road names and numbers to the lots in subdivision. On final plan showing proposed roads, the applicant shall mark on the plan, lines or dots, in center of streets every Fifty(50) feet so as to aid in the assignment of numbers to structures subsequently constructed.

VIII. EFFECTIVE DATE

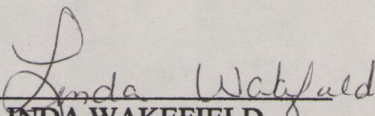
This ordinance shall become effective DECEMBER 1, 2000

It shall be the duty of the Board of Selectpersons or their designee to notify by mail each property owner and the Post Office of their new address at least sixty (60) days prior to the effective date of their use

It shall be the duty of each property owner to post new property numbers , in accordance with this ordinance, on the stated date of effective use. On new structures, numbering will be installed prior to final inspection or when the structure is first used or occupied, which ever comes frist.

Ordinance Approved at a special Town Meeting
held on AUGUST 31 2000 AD

ATTEST:
A True Copy:


LINDA WAKEFIELD
TOWN CLERK
TOWN OF LOWELL, MAINE