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R E S O L U T I O N

TREMPEALEAU COUNTY UNIFORM NUMBERING SYSTEM ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, a public hearing was conducted on March 28, 1995 at 7:00 p.m. in the County Board Room of the Courthouse in Whitehall, WI, and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the public hearing was to consider adoption of the Trempealeau County Uniform Numbering System Ordinance, and

WHEREAS, the Trempealeau County Zoning Department will have the responsibility in the future of implementing the terms of the Ordinance, and

WHEREAS, there was no objection raised by the public,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Trempealeau County Zoning Committee recommends to the Trempealeau County Board of Supervisors that the Trempealeau County Uniform Numbering System Ordinance be adopted and that such Ordinance become effective upon publication.

Dated this 17th day of April, 1995, at Whitehall, WI.

Respectfully submitted,

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ZONING COMMITTEE

ORDINANCE

UNIFORM NUMBERING SYSTEM FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES

TO ESTABLISH AND REGULATE THE UNIFORM COUNTY-WIDE NUMBERING SYSTEM AS AUTHORIZED PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 59.97 OF THE WISCONSIN STATUTES.

THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF TREMPLEALEU COUNTY DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

**SECTION 1 - Uniform Numbering System**

A uniform number system of numbering principal structures in Trempealeau County is hereby adopted. The maps produced by Elert and Associates and dated April 3, 1995, which are filed in the County Zoning Department, are hereby adopted and made part of this ordinance.

**SECTION 2 - Extent/Description of System**

A. The uniform rural address system shall extend over the entire unincorporated areas of Trempealeau County except for those areas already using the system of a nearby incorporated area. Upon a written request from a Town Board to an adjoining municipality with notice to the county's Zoning Office, an unincorporated area may be included in the numbering system of a city or village. If the municipality agrees to accept the area into its system and the Zoning Department makes no objection, then the area will be numbered and signed in accordance with the city or village system. The township shall continue to be responsible for purchasing, distributing and maintaining the signs and address system within the area transferred to the city or village.

B. All properties on the east side of north-south roads and all properties on the north side of the east-west roads shall be assigned even numbers. All properties on the west side of the north-south roads and on the south side of east-west roads shall be assigned odd numbers. All numbers assigned to north-south roads shall be preceded by an "N". All numbers assigned to an east-west road shall be preceded by a "W".

C. In rural areas the numerals indicating the official number for each developed property shall be placed so that the post and sign are near the left edge of the driveway upon entrance, beyond the right-of-way of the Town, County or State roadway, and is highly visible from said roadway. If the above listed requirements cannot be met, other arrangements shall be made with the Zoning Department. The sign must be placed where it is highly visible from the Town, County or State roadway which the driveway enters and exits.

D. Any house number existing at the time the provisions of this ordinance take effect and which is different than the newly assigned number shall be removed at the time the new number is installed. The provisions of this ordinance shall not apply to accessory buildings but may apply to such building located on separate unit of frontage if requested by the owner or proprietor and approved.

E. One number will be assigned to apartments, mobile home parks, or other multiple unit complexes. Individual units in such groupings will be referred to by apartment number, mobile home number, or other unit number.

### SECTION 3 - Administration

A. All persons owning property subject to this ordinance shall obtain numbers and shall immediately post and maintain signs as required by this ordinance.

B. The County Zoning Administrator shall issue a set of numerals for each new principal structure. The applicant will have the exact road entrance location of his/her driveway staked out for Zoning Department staff to make the necessary calculations for the assignment of the numerals. The application for the number is to be completed by the owner prior to the issuance of a zoning permit for the principal structure. Applications for a number shall be made through the County Zoning Office and shall be accompanied by a fee to be established by the Board. Zoning shall assign an address number and distribute the numbering information to the County Emergency Government Office, local municipal clerk and Sheriff's Department.

C. The individual towns, cities and incorporated villages involved in the county-wide numbering system shall be responsible for distributing the proper signs for the number system after the initial installation of signs for structures existing on May 1, 1995. Trempealeau County will provide the Townships with the sign posts. Signs will be sent from the sign manufacturer to the Townships for distribution.

D. The County Emergency Government/911 Director shall be responsible for maintaining the Uniform Addressing Database. This will include adding improved parcel additions, monitoring resident movement, and making available database information as requested.

E. Trempealeau County Highway Department and County Townships shall be asked for assistance in monitoring the uniform rural address system. Periodic checks of rural area roads will be made to insure that the provisions of this ordinance are being complied with. County Highway Department and Townships will be asked to assist with any other duties necessary to insure the integrity and maintenance of the uniform rural address system.

F. Residents having signs in ill repair shall be notified once by the Zoning Department to order a replacement. A fee for replacement markers, covering the cost of said markers, shall be paid to Trempealeau County by the property owner or proprietor. Residents refusing to replace signs shall have a replacement sign ordered for them, billed by their township, at the owner's expense. The charge for such signing shall be a special assessment against the real estate affected if not paid by the owner.

G. Road name sign placement, replacement and maintenance is the responsibility of the entity having the jurisdiction over the roadway. It will be that entity's responsibility to name roads and to sign them, whether public or private. All proposed road names and changes thereof shall be approved in advance by the Trempealeau County Zoning Department for map update corrections and to avoid risk of duplication.

#### **SECTION 4 - Penalty**

A. Violation of Sec. 2 D or E or sec. 3 A or B of this ordinance shall be punishable by a forfeiture of \$20.00. Each separate day such violation is continued shall constitute a separate offense.

B. The removal, damaging, defacing, alteration, or destruction of the uniform address sign which indicates a premises assigned number, or the removal, damaging, alteration, or destruction of an address system sign marker intentionally by one who has no right to so act may be punished by forfeiture of not more than \$100.00. Signs damaged as the result of road maintenance shall be replaced at the expense of the road maintenance entity. Any second or subsequent violation within three years may be subject to a penalty not exceeding \$200.00 for each repeat offense.