

ORDINANCE #93-1
MISSAUKEE COUNTY STREET AND ROAD NUMBERING ORDINANCE

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF MISSAUKEE COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

JULY 13, 1993

PREAMBLE

The Board of Commissioners of the County of Missaukee has determined that the health, safety and welfare of the inhabitants of the County would be better served by the establishment by County Ordinance of a county-wide street and road numbering system. Such uniform street and road numbering will enable the police agencies, ambulance service, township officials, county administrative services, postal service and public utilities to more rapidly identify and locate properties within the county.

This Ordinance provides for the establishment, control and regulation of street and road numbering with Missaukee County; to provide for penalties for the violation of this Ordinance and to repeal any ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith.

Section 1: Name

This Ordinance shall be known and cited as AMissaukee County Street and Road Numbering Ordinance.@

Section 2: Purpose

The purpose of this Ordinance is to establish a county-wide, with the exception of cities and villages, street and road numbering system in a uniform logical manner; to provide for a central point to issue and control numbering and to provide rules and guidelines to facilitate enforcement thereof.

Section 3: Definitions

- A. The term Apremises@ shall mean any lot or parcel of land owned by any person, firm or corporation, public and private, improved with buildings, whether occupied or not and to which a street or road number has been assigned.
- B. The term Astreet number@ or Aroad number@ shall mean any series of numbers assigned by the Missaukee County Equalization Department in conformity with the County Numbering Grid for the purpose of identification of a particular premises location in relation to the grid system.
- C. The term Acounty grid system@ shall mean and refer to a general East and West, and a North and South division of Missaukee County into four parts to facilitate the assignment of identifying numbers, with the provision of allowing one thousand (1,000) numbers per mile for each mile of distance from the base lines.
- D. The term AEast and West base@ shall refer to a line drawn East and West across the County to divide it into a North and South half. Location of said line to be described as the North line of Town 22 North and the South line of Town 23 North as established by the General Land Office Survey and certified by the Michigan State Land Office, July 20, 1880.
- E. The term ANorth and South base@ shall refer to a line drawn North and South

across the County to divide it into an East and West half. Location of said line to be described as the East line of Range 7 West and the West line of Range 6 West as established by the General land Office Survey and certified by the Michigan State Land Office, July 30, 1880.

- F. The term Ainterested party@ shall refer to emergency services, such as police, fire, or any other emergency services, the owner, occupant, Equalization Department, public utilities or any other governmental agency.
- G. The term Aodd or even number@ shall refer to the system of having even numbers assigned on the right side and odd numbers on the left side of all streets and roads as a person faces away from the base lines.
- H. The term Astreet or road name@ (hereafter, street) shall refer to any official name as recognized by government authority and no such named street or road shall be changed without approval of the local township board and the County Road Commission.

Section 4: Regulation

- A. All premises and mailboxes shall bear a distinctive street number in accordance with and as designated upon the street numbering maps on file in the office of the Missaukee County Equalization Department, which maps, by reference, together with any revisions thereof, shall become an operative part of this ordinance.
- B. Any owner of any premises shall place upon the street front of such premises and the street mailbox on such premises such designated number, such that:
 - 1. Numbers on mailboxes on the premises shall be displayed in such manner as to be plainly visible from road traffic lanes in either direction of approach. The numbers shall be of contrasting or reflectorized color to their background and shall not be less than one (1) inch in height.
 - 2. Numbers in block or script displayed on building fronts shall be of a contrasting color to their background and shall be not less than three (3) inches in height.
- C. Where there is no mailbox on the premises or the numbers on the street from of the premises cannot be read from the street, then any owner of the premises shall place a post of suitable strength and construction adjacent to the drive-way of the premises. The height of the post shall be not less than (4) feet nor more than (6) feet above the level of the adjacent street and the assigned numbers of the premises shall be placed on both sides of the post so as to be plainly visible from road traffic lanes in either direction of approach. Such numbers shall be of a contrasting or reflectorized color to their background and shall not be less than tree (3) inches in height.
- D. Where the mailbox is located on a street other than on the street of the premises as numbered, the mailbox shall show both the number assigned and the street name of the premises in contrasting or reflectorized color to their background and shall be not less than one (1) inch in height.
- E. Grouping of mailboxes shall be permitted but the grouping shall be in sequential order according to the assigned number.
- F. Numbers shall be assigned and recorded by the County Equalization Department at the request of any interested party and in accordance with these regulations.

Section 5: Violation

Failure to display numbers, within thirty (30) days after assignment and recordation, or in the case of new construction, within thirty days (30) after a letter or certificate of occupancy has been issued shall be considered a violation of this ordinance.

Section 6: Construction

This Ordinance shall not supersede any existing city or village authority for street numbering, but shall be in addition to and not in conflict with all other laws and ordinances respecting street and road numbering.

Section 7: Saving Clause

The provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable and if any clause, sentence, word, section or provision is declared void or unenforceable, for any reason, by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining portions of said Ordinance shall remain in force.

Section 8: Penalty

- A. Any person, firm or corporation violating the provisions of this Ordinance shall be subject to a fine of not more than One Hundred and no/100 (\$100.00) Dollars or imprisonment in the County Jail for a period not to exceed ninety (90) days, or by both, such fine and imprisonment, at the discretion of the Court except that a violation of Section 4C and 4D shall be punishable by a fifteen and no/100 (\$15.00) Dollar fine only.
- B. In addition to the imposition of the foregoing fines, penalties and other legal remedies, the Sheriff=s Department may cause the proper posting of numbers, and the cost thereof assessed against the owner of such premises.

Section 9: Effective Date

This Ordinance shall take effect sixty (60) days after submission to and approval by the Governor and publication as required by law. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with any of the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

Gary Birgy, Chairman
Board of Commissioners
County of Missaukee

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I, Carolyn Flore, Clerk of the Board of Commissioners hereby certified that the Foregoing Ordinance was introduced and Adopted at a session of said Board convened In the City of Lake City, County of Missaukee on 07-13-1993 by a unanimous vote of the members present.

Carolyn Flore
County Clerk