

ORDINANCE TO ASSIGN HOUSE NUMBERS

Pursuant to the applicable provisions of RSA 231:133 and as authorized by vote at Town Meeting of March 1991 be it enacted by the Town of Newfields Board of Selectmen as follows:

Purpose: To enable fire, police, and ambulance personnel to identify and locate buildings and residences within the Town of Newfields in response to emergencies, the following provisions are enacted:

Enforcement: The Town Fire Chief shall be responsible to assign appropriate numbers to all buildings and residences within the Town of Newfields, and to take necessary and reasonable steps to maintain and update such system for existing streets. Using current updated tax maps the Chief of the Town Fire Department will place a mark upon each existing street in 100 foot increments on each side. Each increment along the right side of the street shall be assigned an even number, and each increment along the left side of the street shall be assigned an odd number beginning at a predetermined starting point to be designated by the Fire Chief. Buildings and residences will be assigned the corresponding number as designated directly in front of such building or residence. In those instances where a parcel, or lot, has frontage in excess of a single hundred foot increment such property shall be assigned individual numbers for each one hundred foot increment fronting each building or residence situated upon the premises. Any numbers which are not thereby assigned for a given parcel, or lot, shall be reserved for potential future subdivision of such premises. In those instances where a building or residence is located upon a lot which is contiguous and situated to the rear of a parcel of land adjacent to the roadway, such rear lot will be assigned the number of the appropriate increment at the normal access point from a street. The numbers will be followed by the designation lot 2, lot 3, lot 4, etc.

Residences and Buildings: For the purposes of this ordinance a single residence shall include adjacent out buildings. Commercial buildings shall be treated the same as residential structures using the normal entrance way for the placement of the assigned number. Where a business, or home occupation, is conducted within a residence such business will be assigned the same number as the residence. Industrial structures shall be treated as commercial, multiple facilities. Where a single structure is occupied by more than one industrial user each user shall be assigned a separate number. In the case of a condex structure consisting of two dwellings within one building each dwelling shall be assigned a separate number. Condominium structures shall be assigned one number, and each individual occupied unit shall be assigned a separate unit number.

Street names: The planning board shall inform all subdivision applicants of the provisions of this ordinance. Names may be selected for any new street by the developer or entity responsible for construction in accordance with applicable rules, or policies of the planning board. No street name shall duplicate an existing street name. The unbroken continuous roadway shall be assigned a single name. One roadway shall not contain two names unless a full intersection breaks the major thoroughfare. Once the continuous roadway changes names, the original name shall not be established at a subsequent intersection. All new street names shall be reviewed by the Police and Fire Department heads to avoid confusion with any existing street.

Subordinate designation, such as half numbers and alphabetical suffixes, shall not be used.

Any numbers presently existing upon residential structures or buildings which do not conform to the number assigned or to other provisions of the ordinance, shall be removed.

Location and size: The placement of numbers assigned shall be affixed in a location upon the building, or upon the premises, to assure visibility from the roadway or street. Placement of assigned numbers shall be subject to inspection by the Chief of the Newfields Fire Department. Subject to inspection and the prior approval of the Chief of the Newfields Fire Department the land owner may purchase and install house numbers in substitution of the number furnished by the Town provided such numbers are the same as that which have been assigned by the Fire Department, are at least three inches in height and of contrasting color to the mounting surface. If the building or structure is situated at a distance from the roadway which is greater than which permits visibility from the road by emergency personnel, a post or similar device will be mounted at the curb line with the assigned number attached.

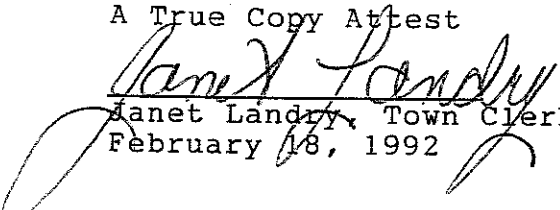
Administration: In order to assure that such system is properly updated and maintained the Chief of the Fire Department shall have access to the following records maintained at the Town Hall: an updated copy of the blotter book, real estate transfer documentation, tax maps, copies of all building permits and computer generated documentation pertaining to the numbering system.

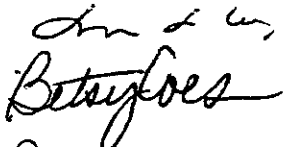

Penalty: A violation of this ordinance shall be punishable by a fine of not more than \$50.00 for each day of noncompliance.

DATE OF PASSAGE: FEBRUARY 12, 1992

EFFECTIVE DATE: APRIL 1, 1992

A True Copy Attest


Janet Landry, Town Clerk
February 18, 1992


Betty Jones

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