

On July 14, 1998, at a duly warned meeting, the Franklin Selectboard adopted the Town of Franklin's Road Naming and Road Numbering Ordinance. The full text is available for review at the Town Clerk's Office, Main Street, Franklin, Vermont. As required by V.S.A., Title 24, Section 1972 a concise summary of the ordinance is being published herewith:

ROAD NAMING AND ROAD NUMBERING ORDINANCE

Section I – Purpose

In accordance with 24 V.S.A. Section 2291 (16) and 24 V.S.A. Section 4421, the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Franklin hereby establish the following ordinance regarding Street Naming and Street Addressing. The purpose for this ordinance is to help establish a more uniform street naming and street addressing system throughout the Town of Franklin. We believe that easily locatable addresses will have a number of beneficial results: (1) It will enable emergency services to arrive at a scene faster. (2) Deliveries will be easier to find. (3) Visitors to our town will be able to find an address and know where they are in case of emergency. (4) When the State of Vermont begins Enhanced 911, the Town of Franklin will be ready for it.

Section II – Street Naming

Every street and road, both public and private, shall be assigned a name. This will be done by the Franklin Board of Selectmen after public input and public hearing.

In the future, any new development must meet the guidelines of this ordinance.

Each street and road must have a separate and distinct name. No two roads can have the same or similar sounding names. No new road can have any name currently used in the Town of Franklin. Furthermore, the Franklin Board of Selectmen may change the names of both public and private streets within the Town of Franklin after duly warned public hearings when necessary to promote public welfare and safety.

The following sections are included in the ordinance:

Section III – Administration

Section IV – General Numbering System Guidelines

Section V – Designation of Street Names

Section VI – Designation of Street Address

Section VII – Posting of Designated Street Address

Section VIII – New Structures

Section IX – Penalties

Section X – Severability

Section XI – Effective Date

This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force and effect sixty (60) days after its passage, unless five percent of the voters petition the legislative body or the clerk of the municipality within forty-five days of July 23, 1998 for a vote on the question of disapproving the ordinance.

You may call Susan E. Clark, Town Clerk at 285-2101 with any questions concerning the above rule.

Dated: July 16, 1998