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CHAPTER XXXVII.

HOUSE NUMBERING

SECTION 37.00. Numbering System Established. There is hereby established a uniform system of numbering all houses and buildings fronting on all roads, streets, avenues, alleys and highways (hereinafter referred to as "road" or "roads") in the Town of Wheatland.

SECTION 37.10. Assignment of Numbers. Even numbers shall be assigned to houses and buildings on the North side of said roads, and odd numbers shall be assigned to houses and buildings on the South side of said roads. Even numbers shall be assigned to houses and buildings on the West side of said roads, and odd numbers shall be assigned to houses and buildings on the East side of said roads. The Kenosha County Land Information Office shall assign and make numbers available to comply with this Chapter, for all new construction and for any house or building which has not previously received such numbers.

SECTION 37.20. Owner's Responsibility. In order to preserve the continuity and uniformity of numbers of the houses, buildings and structures in the Town, the owner of the property on which said improvements are situated, the occupant, or his agent shall procure the correct number or numbers of the premises for the property.

SECTION 37.30. Size and Location of Numbers. All numbers shall be not less than 3 inches, including background, in height and shall be distinctly legible and shall be posted in a conspicuous place on the front of each house or building, so as to be easily seen and read from the road. If any number, if or when posted on the front of said house or building, is not visible and able to be read from the road, the numbers shall be mounted on a post at the road right-of-way line not more than five (5) feet to the right or left of the property driveway or front access walk. In no event shall the number proper, where a background is used, be less than 2 1/2 inches in height.

SECTION 37.40. Cost. The owner and occupant of a property shall be responsible for the cost of complying with this Chapter.

SECTION 37.50. Notification by Town to Owner. The Town Clerk, Building Inspector, Constable, Fire Chief or any other party authorized by the Town Board may notify any owner, occupant or agent of each house or buildings, not in compliance with the numbering system provided herein, of the respective number assigned to it. Every owner, occupant or agent shall install such number or numbers within thirty (30) days after the effective date of such notification.

SECTION 37.60. Improper Numbers. No person shall alter any number or retain any improper number.

SECTION 37.65 <u>Installation and Maintenance of 911 Emergency Signs.</u>

- A. <u>Scope</u>. Each dwelling unit, all structures, including occasional-use trailers, and every public park within the Town of Wheatland require a 911 emergency sign as approved by the Town to provide for quick access by emergency services organizations.
- B. <u>Application</u>. Applications for 911 emergency signs shall be made to the Town Clerk on forms furnished by the Town. All 911 emergency sign fees required under this ordinances shall be established, from time to time, by Town Board resolution. No building permit for a new structure shall be issued by the Building Inspector until a determination has been made if a new or additional 911 emergency sign is required and all fees, if applicable, for such sign have been paid.
- C. 911 Emergency Signs. All 911 emergency signs and posts shall remain the property of the Town of Wheatland. The Town Board or its designee will be responsible for installing new or replacement 911 emergency signs as specified in the then-current Town of Wheatland 911 Emergency Sign Policy once sign numbers have been assigned by the Kenosha County Land Information Office in accordance with the Kenosha County Rural Numbering System. 911 emergency signs will be double-sided, perpendicular to the road. 911 emergency signs will be installed within the road right-of-way at a location to be determined by the Town Board or it's designee in accordance with the then current Town of Wheatland policy on 911 emergency sign placement. Once a sign has been installed, it shall not be removed except by a Town official or designee.
- D. <u>Responsibilities of Town</u>. The Town Board or its designee will maintain the Town 911 emergency number map and provide updated copies to emergency services organizations on a regular basis. A current copy of the Town 911 emergency number map will be posted and maintained in the Town office.

E. Responsibilities of Property Owners.

- (1) Maintaining the area around 911 emergency signs so that shrubbery, trees, brush, weeds, or other items do not obscure the visibility of the 911 emergency sign.
- (2) Ensuring signs remain free of dirt or snow.
- (3) Ensuring that nothing is attached to the 911 emergency sign post other than the 911 emergency sign.
- (4) Notifying a Town official when a sign is missing or damaged beyond repair. Such notification shall be within forty-eight (48) hours of the occurrence.

(5) For owners of mobile/manufactured home parks, such owners shall be responsible for each mobile home tenant having affixed to the exterior to the unit numbers assigned by the Town in a contrasting color of the trailer/manufactured home. Size and contrasting color of numbers to be approved by Town Board or it's designee.

The Town of Wheatland will be responsible, at the Town's discretion, for the cost of replacing or repairing 911 emergency signs which show indications of normal wear. Property owners who remove, alter or otherwise damage 911 emergency signs beyond normal wear shall be responsible for cost of replacement or repair.

F. <u>Severability</u>. Should any section, clause or provision of this ordinance be declared by the court to be invalid, the same shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole or any part thereof other than the part so declared to be invalid.

SECTION 37.70. Penalty. Any person violating any of the provisions of this chapter shall be deemed guilty of an offense and upon conviction thereof, shall forfeit not less than \$50.00, nor more than \$200.00 and the costs of prosecution for each and every offense.