

Township of Pelican Oneida County

Ordinance # 10.00 Ordinance to Establish Emergency Address Identification

SECTION 1 All structures within the Town of Pelican require a fire number sign to provide for quick access by emergency services organizations.

SECTION 2 Applications for fire number signs shall be made to the Oneida County Land Information office. Any sign fees required under this ordinance shall be established, from time to time, by Town Board resolution.

SECTION 3 All new and existing roads that serve four or more properties shall be named regardless of whether the ownership is public or private. A road refers to any highway, road, street, avenue, lane, private way, or similar paved, gravel or dirt thoroughfare. The Town Board shall review proposed road names prior to approval. A road name assigned by the Town of Pelican shall not constitute or imply acceptance as a public way.

SECTION 4 All fire number signs and posts shall remain the property of the Town of Pelican. The Town Board or its designee will be responsible for assigning and installing new or replacement signs. Fire number signs will be double-sided and perpendicular to the road, viewable from both directions. Fire number signs will be installed within the town's right-of-way, which is 33 feet from the centerline of the roadway. Once a sign has been installed, it shall not be removed except by a Town official.

SECTION 5 Property owners shall be responsible for the following:

- a. Maintaining the area around the fire number sign so that shrubbery, trees, brush, weeds, or other items do not obscure the visibility of the sign.
- b. Ensuring signs remain free of dirt or snow
- c. Ensuring that nothing is attached to the fire signpost other than the fire sign.
- d. Notifying a Town official when a sign is missing or damaged beyond repair. Such notification shall be within 48 hours of the occurrence.
- e. Every structure with more than one principle use or occupancy shall have a separate number for each use or occupancy. Duplexes will have two separate numbers. Apartments will have one fire number with an apartment letter. It shall be the responsibility of the apartment owner to display the individual apartment letter on the apartment building.
- f. Whenever any residence or other structure is constructed or developed, it shall be the duty of the new owner to obtain an assigned number from the County. This shall be done at the time of the issuance of the building permit.

SECTION 6 The Town of Pelican will be responsible, at the Town's discretion, for the cost of replacing or repairing fire number signs which show signs of normal wear. Property owners who remove, alter or otherwise damage fire number signs beyond normal wear shall be responsible for the cost of replacement or repair.

SECTION 7 Any person, firm or corporation who violates, disobeys, neglects, omits or refuses to comply with this ordinance or who resists the enforcement of any of its provisions, or who moves, removes or tampers with any fire number sign or fire number sign post shall, upon conviction, forfeit not less than \$75.00 nor more than \$250.00 together with the cost of prosecution and, in default of payment of such forfeiture and cost of prosecution, shall be imprisoned in the County Jail of Oneida County until said forfeiture and costs are paid not to exceed 30 days for each violation. Each day that a violation continues to exist shall constitute a separate offense.

SECTION 8 Should any section or provision of this ordinance be declared invalid, such decisions shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance.

This ordinance shall take effect from and after its passage and publication as provided by law.

ADOPTED this 7th day of June 2010.

/s/Gerald Roou, Town Chair

ATTEST /s/ Kenneth J. Gardner, Town Clerk