#### TOWN OF CABOT

# AN ORDINANCE/A POLICY REGARDING STREET NAMING AND STREET NUMBERING

#### SECTION I PURPOSE

In accordance with 24 VSA Chapter 61 § 2291 [16], the Select Board of the Town of Cabot hereby establishes the following ordinance in order to develop a more uniform street naming and street numbering system throughout the Town of Cabot to enable persons to locate addresses effectively and in a timely manner for purposes of providing emergency services and deliveries.

### SECTION II STREET NAMING

Each street or road shall be assigned a name by the Select Board in cooperation with Town residents that is separate and distinct from any previously assigned name in the Town of Cabot. Through streets should be named: drive, street or road. Cul-de-sacs should be named: court, place, lane, way, heights, row, circle or alley. A shared driveway of any length having three [3] or more residences on it shall be defined as a private road. Private roads shall be named. A driveway having one [1] or two [2] residences on it shall be defined as a driveway and shall not be required to be named.

## SECTION III STREET NUMBERING

Streets of the Town of Cabot shall be measured in segments of five and twenty eight hundredths [5.28] feet. Numbers shall start nearest the Volunteer Fire Department Building located in the Village of Cabot on Route 215 and be assigned according to the direction of the E-911 Committee and the table of road names prepared by the Selectboard.

Apartment houses shall be given one street number and each individual apartment shall be given an apartment number or letter. Combined commercial and apartment complex shall be given one street number and each individual apartment or commercial unit shall be given an apartment/commercial number or letter.

## SECTION IV POSTING OF DESIGNATED STREET ADDRESSES

- 1. The owner or occupant or person in charge of any house or building to which a number has been assigned will be notified by the United States Postal Service, in cooperation with the Town of Cabot, of the number and street name assigned to same, after the adoption of this ordinance.
- 2. Within sixty [60] days after receipt of such notification, the owner or occupant in charge of a house or building to which a number has been assigned, shall affix the number on or

near the front door if the door is visible from the main road. When the number on the front door is not visible from the main road, the number shall be affixed to a sign or number post at the driveway entrance at the main road.

3. Numerals indicating the official numbers for each principal building or each front entrance to such building [or if not visible from the main road, on a sign or post at driveway entrance at the main road] shall be posted in a manner as to be legible and distinguishable from the main street on which the property is located, with letters painted or applied in a contrasting color to the background and measuring not less than three [3] inches in height.

#### SECTION V FUTURE DEVELOPMENT

Prior to the issuance of a zoning permit, a developer shall furnish the Town of Cabot Selectboard with a plan for a street naming and numbering system in accordance with this ordinance. Final approval of any certificate of occupance of any principal building erected after the effective date of this ordinance shall be withheld until permanent and proper numbers have been displayed in accordance with this Ordinance.

#### SECTION VI PENALTIES

Violations of this ordinance shall be a civil matter enforced in accordance with the provisions of 24 VSA section 1974a and section 1977 et.seq. A civil penalty of not more than \$20. may be imposed for a violation of this civil ordinance, and the waiver fee shall be set at \$10. Every thirty days of non-compliance after the issuance of a ticket shall constitute a new violation.

#### SECTION VII STREET SIGNS

The Selectboard, upon adoption of this Ordinance, shall institute a program for the installation and maintenance of street name signs in accordance with the names established by said Ordinance, with the exception of private roads/streets.

All signs shall conform to the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devised for Streets and Highways. All signs shall be installed and maintained to the highest degree possible allowed by budget considerations. Private road/street signs shall be the responsibility of the land owner[s].

## SECTION VIII NOTICE AND IMPLEMENTATION

The Selectboard shall make reasonable efforts to ensure that the public is notified of the existence of the Ordinance for Street Naming and Street Numbering.

The Town shall ensure, through cooperative effort with the United States Post Office, that each property owner is notified of the Ordinance.

#### SECTION IX SEVERABILITY

If any portion of this Ordinance and Amendments is held unconstitutional or invalid by a Court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Ordinance and Amendments shall not be affected.

# SECTION X EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force and effect sixty [60] days after its passage. All ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict therewith are hereby repealed.

ADOPTED
POSTED AND PUBLISHED
EFFECTIVE DATE
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