

# CHAPTER 18

## TOWN OF RIB FALLS, MARATHON COUNTY, WISCONSIN ORDINANCE ENTITLED “HOUSE & BUILDING NUMBERING”

The Town Board of the Town of Rib Falls, Marathon County, Wisconsin do ordain as follows:

SECTION 1: Chapter 18 of the Town of Rib Falls Code of Ordinances entitled “HOUSE & NUMBERING” is hereby created to provide as follows:

### ORDINANCE

#### HOUSE & BUILDING NUMBERING

(1) **INTENT.** The intent of this ordinance is to assist the police, fire departments and emergency services in quickly finding the correct residence at which to provide emergency services by requiring house & building numbers to be placed in prominently visible locations.

(2) **SPECIFICATIONS/DISPLAY & PLACEMENT REQUIREMENTS.**

(a) Content. The standard number shall not be less than three (3) inches in height, in a bright metal sign so as to be easily read & seen. The Town of Rib Falls shall provide and install the address sign upon every house & building in the town at the cost to each of the property owners of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) for each street number sign to be paid upon issuance of a building permit.

(b) Display requirements. The assigned street number shall be conspicuously displayed for every house and building in the town. Property owners constructing new buildings upon their properties shall be furnished numbers by the town at the time of issuance of the building permit. The display of the numbers shall be in a manner required in subsection (d) of this ordinance.

(c) Other requirements. Persons dividing parcels with improvements must have a separate fire number for each parcel with improvements.

(d) Placement. The number shall be placed on a wood or metal post adjacent the end of the driveway on the back side of the right of way so to make the number clearly visible from the road or street.

(e) Assignment. For roads and streets running north-south buildings shall be odd numbered on the west side and even numbered on the east side. For roads and streets running east-west buildings shall be even numbered on the north side and odd numbered on the south side.

(f) Unimproved parcels. Persons may request a fire number on unimproved parcels for purposes of identification by emergency personnel by contacting the towns' zoning administrator. A town compliant driveway will be required before a fire number will be assigned & installed. All fees & requirements apply to unimproved parcels as they do to improved parcels.

(3) DAMAGED OR ILLEGIBLE SIGNS. Street number signs that become damaged or illegible shall be replaced with the installation & material costs to be the responsibility of the land owner.

(4) MISCELLANEOUS

(a) Future service costs. The Town Board reserves the right to review the service costs annually. A copy of any resolution dealing with service charges for street address signs shall be on file with the town clerk.

(b) No town responsibility. The Town of Rib Falls shall not be responsible for the failure of any fire, police or other emergency personnel in locating any property address.

SECTION 2: All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3: This ordinance shall be in full force and affect from and after its passage & posting as provided by law.

**TOWN BOARD, TOWN OF RIB FALLS**

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