

Be it ordained by the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Chelsea, Vermont as follows:

Road Name Ordinance of the Town of Chelsea, Vermont

1. General Provisions

1.1 This ordinance is enacted pursuant to 24 V.S.A. Sec. 2291 (3) and (16), 4421, and 1971 and 19 V.S.A. Sec. 304 (17) and shall be known and cited as the Town of Chelsea Road Name Ordinance. This ordinance shall be adopted and take effect in accordance with the procedures and provisions set forth in 24 V.S.A. Chapter 59.

1.2. The purpose of this ordinance is to provide uniformity and clarity in the naming of roads and driveways to develop clear identification and accurate and efficient location of property in connection with the provision of emergency and other services provided by the Town.

1.3. Each provision of this ordinance shall be deemed independent of all other provisions, and, if any such provision is declared invalid or unenforceable, all other such provisions shall remain valid and enforceable.

2. Definitions of words and phrases

For purposes of this ordinance, the following words and phrases shall have the meanings set forth herein:

2.1. "Board" means the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Chelsea, Vermont.

2.2 "Private Road" means a driveway or other way other than a road which is used to provide vehicular access to more than one primary building or lot.

2.3. "Road" means the entire width between the boundary lines of any public street, highway, roadway, or other way or place of whatsoever nature when any part thereof is permanently or temporarily open to the use of the public for the purpose of vehicular traffic and shall include a way laid out under the authority of law.

2.4. "Town" means the Town of Chelsea, Vermont.

2.5. "Town highway map" means the map of the Town and/or state highways provided by the Vermont Agency of Transportation from time to time pursuant to 19 V.S.A. Sec. 305 (e).

3. Designation of Road names

The official name of all roads of the Town as identified by Town highway map number in Appendix A are hereby given the name set forth next to the Town highway map number in said Appendix A. The official number of all streets of the Town shall be the number for such street as designated by the Town highway map.

4. Road signs

The Board may from time to time erect posts and install signs on Town Roads which contain the name designated for such name or for an abutting, adjoining, or intersecting street pursuant to 3. of this ordinance.

5. Designation of private names

The Board may designate a name for a private road. The Board shall maintain a list of all currently designated private road names for use by municipal departments and the public.

6. General rules and regulations

6.1. All signs permitted or required by this ordinance shall be provided by the Town and shall remain the property of the Town upon placement.

6.2. No person shall obstruct, damage, remove, relocate, replace, or otherwise alter or tamper with any sign or post placed pursuant to this ordinance except with the permission of the Board. A violation of this provision shall constitute a public nuisance. A person who violates this provision shall be subject to all penalties and enforcement provisions available under applicable law or under other ordinances of the Town relating to tampering with municipal property and public nuisances.