

**YANKTON COUNTY
STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA**

COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. 11

**AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF
A RURAL ADDRESSING SYSTEM**

WHEREAS, the Yankton County Board of Commissioners has established an Emergency 911 telephone system pursuant to SDCL 34-45; and

WHEREAS, the Yankton County Board of Commissioners believes that the establishment of a Rural Addressing system is in the best interest of Yankton County residents;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Commission, and it is hereby ordained by authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION I. NAMING OF ROADS

The names of roads are hereby fixed and adopted in accordance with, and as shown by the maps of the county on file in the office of the **Register of Deeds**, which are hereby designated and adopted as the official road address maps of the county. The names on these maps shall supersede the road names found on the plats recorded in the office of the **Register of Deeds**. The **Register of Deeds** is hereby authorized to make the necessary changes on the plats to correspond with the names on these maps.

SECTION II. DESIGNATION OF ADDRESSES

Addresses for rural dwelling units and places of business on all public and private roads and streets shall be assigned by the **Director of Equalization**. These addresses shall be in accordance with South Dakota Administrative Rules Chapter 50:02:03 except when it is deemed appropriate to utilize a municipality's addressing system in areas adjacent to the corporate limits and procedures adopted by Yankton County. The **Director of Equalization** shall keep a record of all numbers assigned under this ordinance.

SECTION III. POSTING OF DESIGNATED ADDRESS

Initially, the owner, occupant or person in charge of any house or building to which an address has been assigned, will be notified by the **U.S. Postal Service** of the address assigned.

Once the addresses are in place, the owner, occupant or person in charge of any house or building will acquire the official address of any new or existing structure from the **Director of Equalization**.

Within thirty (30) days after notification from the **U.S. Postal Service**, the owner, occupant or person in charge of the structure to which an address has been assigned, shall affix the address to the structure, if visible from the road, or to a sign or number post if not visible from the road, in such a way that the address can be clearly seen from the roadway.

It shall be the duty of every person having a home or business establishment outside of municipal boundaries to affix the assigned number and remove any other number which might be mistaken for or confused with, the number assigned to said structure by the **Director of Equalization**.

Each principal building shall display the assigned address to the frontage on which the front entrance is located. In the cases where a principal building is occupied by more than one business and/or family dwelling unit, each separate dwelling or unit must display a separate address.

Numbers and/or letters indicating the official address for each principal building shall be posted in a manner as to be legible and distinguishable from the road, with letters of a contrasting color to the background, of not less than two inches (2") in width and not less than four inches (4") in height. If a building is situated in such a way that the address cannot easily be seen from the road in front of the building, a sign or address post must be used at the entrance of the primary driveway. The post must be installed so that the address is displayed on the right hand side of the driveway while looking at the building. The post must also be installed on private property, off of the road right-of-way. The sign must be between 4 feet (4') and 6 feet (6') above the ground. For ease of recognition by emergency responders and uniformity throughout the county, the sign posted at the driveway shall have a green background with white reflective letters and/or numbers. The letters and/or numbers shall be not less than two inches (2") in width and four inches (4") in height. The sign shall be displayed horizontally, so that the address is readable from left to right.

SECTION IV. NEW STRUCTURES

The location of the principal building will determine where the owner or developer shall procure the official address of the premises. A building located within city limits, shall procure the official address of the premises from the **City's Building Permitting Authority**. A building located within the County's jurisdiction or city buffer zone shall procure the official address of the premises from the **Director of Equalization** of Yankton County.

No utility hookup or mail service shall be issued for any principal building until the owner or developer has procured the official address of the premises. For new construction, the building number shall be displayed prior to occupancy of the building. A letter of certification will be issued at the time the address is issued. The letter of certification will provide clearance for utility hookups and to initiate mail service at the designated address.

SECTION V. PENALTIES

Failure to comply with any of the provisions of this ordinance shall constitute a violation of said ordinance. Each day such violations committed or permitted to continue shall constitute a separate offense and shall be punishable as such. Violations of this ordinance shall constitute a Class 2 Misdemeanor.

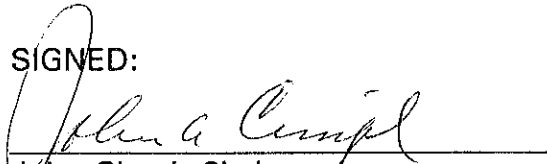
SECTION VI. EFFECTIVE DATE

This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force and effect twenty (20) days after its publication.

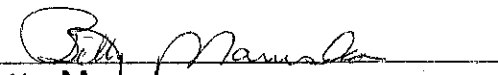
All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict therewith are hereby repealed.

ADOPTED on this 17 day of October, 1995.

SIGNED:


John Cimpl, Chairman
Yankton County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:


Betty Maruska
Yankton County Auditor

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