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Section 1, Purpose

The purpose of this Township Street Naming and Addressing Ordinance is to establish standards for naming township roads, private roads and drives. It is to establish standards for posting street signs and assigning numbers to all dwellings, principal buildings and businesses making it possible to provide for the more efficient delivery of township services such as building inspections, property tax administration, property mapping and other township affairs.

Bois Blanc Township will provide minimum standards and regulations for displaying addresses. A master record of addresses along with other information necessary to locate buildings on properties will be kept and maintained by the township.

Section 2, Administrative Office

The Township Supervisor's Office shall have overall administrative and coordination responsibility to administer and enforce this Ordinance. In the event the Township Supervisor appoints an Assessor to carry out the administration of the property tax functions, the Assessor may carry the duty on behalf of the Township Supervisor.

Section 3, Approval Office

The Township Supervisor or Assessor shall have an overall jurisdiction over address numbers and shall insure that an address number does not duplicate the number of any building considered to be along the same road.

Section 4, Rural Addressing System

The rural address numbering system shall be used except where a hundred block municipal system is deemed more appropriated by the Township Supervisor or Assessor.

The address grid will serve as the guide for assigning numbers. Address numbers shall be evenly spaced 500 per mile. The zero point for the address grid is the southern intersection of Boblo Dr. and West Trail.

Numbers shall begin at one for north, east and westerly roads emanating from this point. Boblo Dr. east of this point will be "East Boblo Dr." numbers beginning with 1 and ending at the highest number reached on this roadway. West Boblo

Dr. will begin at 1 and numbers shall increment in a westerly direction to the end of the road.

North Boblo Dr. will begin with number 1 at a point approximately three quarters of a mile east of the Firetower Rd. intersection and numbers shall increment from east to west to the end of the roadway.

Address numbers shall be evenly spaced 500 per mile.

Odd numbers on the westerly side of north south roads and on the southerly side of east west roads.

If the major portion of a meandering road runs north-south, that road shall be numbered as a north-south road. Once a north-south road has addresses numbers assigned to buildings, that road shall always be considered a north-south road.

If a major portion of a meandering road runs east-west, that road shall be numbered as a east-west road. Once a east-west road has address numbers assigned to buildings that road shall always be considered a east-west road.

Address numbers shall be assigned consecutively so that numbers are not out of sequence.

Corner lots will be addressed to the road that the driveway is accessed off.

Private drives or easements may be addressed to an existing adjoining road if this drive serves no more than two (2) lots or structures. Private drives and easements that serve more than two (2) lots or structures will be assigned a name that is not in conflict with the Township Master Street Address Guide and will be addressed to the name assigned.

This system shall be applied to all addresses on all public roads and private roads in Bois Blanc Township.

Section 5, Enforcement

The Township Supervisor or Assessor is responsible for insuring that proper notice and enforcement procedures are followed.

When a person applies for a Zoning/Building Permit, the Township Supervisor or Assessor shall obtain GPS coordinates of the location where the development will access the road network. The location of this GPS point will be used to calculate the new address number. The applicant will be provided with the number, calculated from the GPS position and the road name as described in the Township's Master Street Address Guide.

Section 6, Master Address File

The Township Supervisor or Assessor shall keep a master file of assigned addresses and corresponding property code numbers.

Section 7, Display of Address

All principal buildings shall be required to display an address number in the manner prescribed in this ordinance.

The resident, occupant, or owner of a building shall display the address number so it is plainly visible and legible from a vehicle traveling on the road that is named in the address. The address number shall be displayed at a height of at least three (3) feet above grade. All numbers shall be Arabic numbers at least three inches or more in heights and of a color that contrasts with the background color of the structure or placard that supports the numbers.

When a building is located more than one-hundred feet (100') back from the traveling centerline of the road that is named in the address or the view of the building is obstructed by trees shrubs or another building, the address sign shall be displayed on a sign located within forty feet (40') of the centerline of the driveway and between ten feet (10') and thirty feet (30') back from the edge of the traveled roadway. Any such sign used for this purpose must comply with this Address Ordinance.

Section 8, Penalties

Any person who violates any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be deemed to be responsible for a municipal civil infraction as defined by Michigan Statute which shall be punishable by a civil fine of not more than \$500.00 along with costs which may include expenses, direct and indirect, to which Bois Blanc Township has been put in connection with the municipal civil infraction. In no case, however, shall costs of less than \$9.00 nor more than \$500.00 be ordered. A violator of this Ordinance shall also be subject to such additional sanctions and judicial orders as are authorized under Michigan Law.

Section 9, Effective Date

This ordinance shall be effective immediately following publication in a newspaper of general circulation in Bois Blanc Township.

CERTIFICATE

I, Joan E. Schroka, Bois Blanc Township Clerk, do hereby certify that the foregoing Bois Blanc Township Ordinance No. 43 was adopted by the Bois Blanc Township Board a a special meeting held on May 20, 2008, and the same was caused to be published in the Cheboygan Daily Tribune on the 28th day of May and that the following is a record of the vote of the members of said Township Board and said Ordinance.

AYES: Loren Gibbons, Cheryl Gahn, Joan Schroka, Shelby Newhouse,
Anne Kennedy

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: None

Joan E. Schroka, Bois Blanc Township, Clerk