

MARCH 18, 1996

CASTLE HILL 911 ORDINANCE

SECTION: 1. Purpose

The purpose of this ordinance is to enhance the rapid location of properties by law enforcement, fire, rescue and emergency medical personnel in the town of Castle Hill.

SECTION 2. Authority

This ordinance is adopted pursuant to and consistent with the Municipal Home Rule Powers as provided for in Article VIII, Part 2, Section 1 of the Constitution of the State of Maine and Title 30-A, M.R.S.A. Section 3001.

SECTION 3. Administration

This ordinance shall be administered by the Town of Castle Hill which is authorized to and shall assign road names and numbers to all properties, both on existing and proposed roads and streets in accordance with the criteria in Sections 4 and 5 of this ordinance. The Code Enforcement Officer shall be responsible for maintaining the following official records of this ordinance.

- a. A Castle Hill town map for official use showing road names and numbers.
- b. An alphabetical list of all property owners by last name as identified by current assessment records, showing the assigned numbers.
- c. An alphabetical list of all roads with property owners and residents, listed in order of their assigned numbers.

SECTION 4. Naming System

All roads that serve two or more properties with separate ownership shall be named regardless of whether the ownership is public or private. A "road" refers to any highway, road, street, avenue, lane, private way, or similar paved, gravel, or dirt thoroughfare. "Property" refers to any property on which a more or less permanent structure has been erected or could be placed. A road name assigned by the Town of Castle Hill shall not constitute or imply acceptance of the road or public way.

The following criteria shall govern the naming system.

- a. No two roads shall be given the same name. (e.g., no Pine Road and Pine Lane)
- b. No two roads should have similar sounding names (e.g., Beech Street and Peach Street)
- c. Each road shall have the same name throughout its entire length.

SECTION 5. Numbering System

Numbers shall be assigned every 50 (fifty) feet along both sides of the road in rural sections, with even numbers appearing on left side of the road and odd numbers appearing on the right side of the road, determined by the direction from the origin. Numbers shall be assigned every 25 feet in built up areas as required.

The following criteria shall govern the numbering system:

- a. All number origins shall begin from the designated center of the built up area of Castle Hill or at the end of the road nearest that center. (The number system may also originate at the border with another community and be continuous with that community if the road name continues). For dead end roads, numbering shall originate at the intersection of the connecting road and shall terminate at the dead end.
- b. The number assigned to each structure shall be that of the numbered interval falling closest to the front door. If the door cannot be seen from the road for reasons of distance or obstruction of view, the number shall be that of the interval falling closest to the driveway of the structure.
- c. Each structure with more than one principal use or occupancy may have a separate number for each use or occupancy. (i.e. duplexes may have separate numbers if there are separate driveways; apartments will have one road number with an apartment number, such as 235 Maple St., Apt. 2).

SECTION 6. Compliance

All owners or tenants of structures or dwellings shall, within 30 days of the adoption of this ordinance, display and maintain in a conspicuous place on said property, the assigned numbers in the following manner:

- a. Location. The assigned number shall be clearly displayed on the residence near the front door or entry; or on a post, fence, wall or mail box; or on a structure near the walk or access drive to the residence or structure.
- b. Size and Color. Number shall be displayed in a color and size clearly readable from the road or street.
- c. Any old or non-assigned numbers shall be removed or covered to avoid any confusion with correct numbers assigned in accordance with the ordinance.
- d. All residents and/or occupants are requested to post the assigned number and road name near their telephone(s) for emergency use.

SECTION 7. New Construction and Subdivisions

All new construction and subdivisions shall be named in accordance with the provisions of this ordinance and as follows:

a. New Construction: Whenever any residence or other structure is constructed or developed it shall be the duty of the owner to obtain an assigned number from the Code Enforcement Officer. This shall be done when the building permit is issued.

b. New Subdivisions: Any prospective subdivider shall show a proposed road name and lot numbering system with the pre-application submission to the planning board. Approval by the planning board, subject to confirmation by the Code Enforcement Officer, of the Town of Castle Hill, shall constitute the assignment of road names and numbers to the lots of the subdivision. On the final plan showing proposed road, the applicant shall mark on the plan, lines or dots in the center of the street at the appropriate intervals (normally 25 feet) to aid in the assignment of numbers to the buildings to be subsequently constructed.

SECTION 8. Effective Date

This ordinance shall become effective as of the date it is adopted by the Town of Castle Hill.

SECTION 9. Enforcement

There is no monetary penalty for failure to comply with this ordinance. However, non-compliance may result in increased response time and reduced effectiveness for emergency responders in medical, fire and other emergencies. The postal system will be using the assigned property numbers for delivery of mail. Other private delivery systems and services may also use the property numbers to locate clients. The Town of Castle Hill assumes no liability for any losses or injury which may result from the failure of residents to properly and clearly display property numbers.

John J. Edgewood
Attested Copy, Town Clerk
Adopted: March 18, 1997



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TOWN OF CASTLE HILL
Appendix 1

ROAD NAMES

Castle Hill Road
Dudley Road
Gardner Creek Road
Haynes Road
Haystack Road
McDonald Road
Richardson Road
Smith Road
State Road
Stovepipe Corner Road
Turner Road
Waddell Road
Squa Pan LAKE Rd.

Johnny Edwards
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