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ORDINANCE NO. O-89-27

BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF BENTON, STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED:

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AN ORDERLY SYSTEM FOR NAMING ROADS, ADDRESSING PROPERTY, AND OTHER PROVISIONS IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN AN EFFECTIVE E-911 SYSTEM AND OTHER COUNTY PROGRAMS

WHEREAS, Benton County Ordinance 88-5 established a 911 Administrative Board and empowered them to develop a county-wide addressing and mapping system; and

WHEREAS, other County offices and programs, as well as certain private sector agencies such as utility companies, would also benefit from such a uniform system.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF BENTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS, an Ordinance to Establish an Orderly System for Addressing and Mapping.

ARTICLE 1. Road and Address Map. The Master Street Address Guide (MSAG) and accompanying Atlas (Maps) that are officially adopted by the 911 Administrative Board for use in emergency response will also be adopted as the official Benton County MSAG and Atlas. Upon receipt and approval of the Atlas by the 911 Administrative Board, this Ordinance will authorize the official adoption of those names and addresses for other County and certain private sector uses. The Atlas shall identify all named roads, road numbers, and address ranges.

The Official Road Atlas shall be updated periodically to include new development and roads or any significant alterations.

ARTICLE 2. Administration. The 911 Administrative Board shall provide for an on-going procedure for updating the Official Road Atlas and MSAG. Changes, additions, and alterations to the Atlas shall be corresponded to the County Judge's office by the 911 Administrative Board. Requests for changes to the Atlas (i.e. changing of a road name) must follow this procedure:

(A) The 911 Board will be contacted to verify that a proposed change will not be a duplication or other non-conformity.

(B) In the case of a name change for a road, a registered letter explaining the proposed change and asking for any comments and announcing the date and time that the Benton County Planning Board will hear the proposed change request in a public hearing must be sent to each landowner along the road in question. This expense is to be borne by the requesting party.

(C) The Planning Board will hear the proposal and forward their recommendation to the County Judge.

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(D) The County Judge may issue a Court Order officially changing the MSAG and Atlas. Any such change should be forwarded to the 911 Board so that a change can be made on the Response Maps and on the 911 data base.

The County Judge shall have the authority to promulgate rules and regulations to effectuate changes to the Atlas.

ARTICLE 3. Planning Requirements. The Benton County Planning Board shall adopt regulations requiring:

(A) House address numbers to be installed on or near any new house or business. These numbers will be clearly visible from the road so that an emergency response vehicle can readily identify the location of that particular house or business. (The Quorum Court also recommends such installation on or near current structures).

(B) No plat shall be accepted for review or approval by the Benton County Planning Board without the review of the 911 Administrative Board's MSAG administrator who will assure that the road names and address assignments conform with the MSAG and Atlas.

(C) No subdivisions shall be approved without the inclusion of street signs conforming with the 911 guidelines.

ARTICLE 4. Address Assignment - Utility Requirements. No person, firm, corporation, partnership, or other entity shall authorize any public utility company as defined by Arkansas law to supply any services to any new residence or business in Benton County until an address has been assigned by the MSAG administrator or 911 Administrative Board.

Any person, firm, corporation, partnership or other entity violating this Article shall be quilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine up to $100.00 and each day or part of a day while such violation exists shall be considered a separate offense.

ARTICLE 5. In order to advise property owners that road names and addresses which may not otherwise be indicated on deeds and abstracts might have been changed, a copy of this Ordinance shall be maintained in the Circuit Clerk's office and made available to the general public.

ARTICLE 6. If any provision of this Ordinance shll be determined to be unconstitutional, it shall not affect any other part of this Ordinance.

APPROVED:

BRUCE RUTHERFORD
COUNTY JUDGE
Date: 9-29-89

ATTEST:

MARY L. SLINKARD, COUNTY CLERK
DATE ADOPTED:
SPONSOR: Operations Committee