

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

In Re: Amendments to Ordinance No. )  
 81-6 establishing a Countywide )  
 Addressing System and amending ) No. 83-2  
 such ordinance relating to )  
 Change of Address Notification, )  
 Address Posting Requirements ) ORDINANCE  
 and Penalties. )

WHEREAS, Columbia County, a political subdivision of the State of Oregon, on August 4, 1982, adopted Ordinance No. 81-6 establishing a countywide addressing system; and

WHEREAS, Columbia County desires to amend that ordinance;

NOW THEREFORE, the Board of County Commissioners for Columbia County, Oregon ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section I. All of Ordinance 81-6 shall remain in full force and effect except as otherwise hereafter revised or amended.

Section II. Revisions.

Section VII, subsection 6.03 is revised to read as follows:

"Notification of a Change. The County, in cooperation with the postal service, will notify the occupants of each postal delivery area of the proposed change in the address of their residence or structure at least six (6) weeks prior to the effective date. This notice shall indicate that it is the property owner's duty to post the new address within thirty (30) days after the notice is mailed. The address shall be posted in accordance with the provisions of subsections 6.07 through 6.09 of Section VI of this Ordinance, as amended. In the event the occupant is not the owner the notice shall direct that the occupant forward the notice to the property owner immediately. The notice shall also include a verbatim recitation of Section XI of this Ordinance, as amended, relating to penalties."

Section VI, subsection 6.06 is revised to read as follows:

"Numbering of New Homes by the Building Department. When a building permit is issued for a new residence, commercial or industrial structure in an area of Columbia County in which the rural address system has been placed in effect, the Building Department shall assign the new structure and address, in accordance with its location on the maps of the Columbia County Grid System. The Building Department shall notify the Post Office, Fire District, Central Dispatch and any other appropriate agency of the new address. The property owner or his agent shall post the address number of the residence, business or other structure as set forth in Section VI of this Ordinance prior to the Building Department issuing a certificate of occupancy."

Section III. Additions.

The following new subsections are added to Section VI of Ordinance 81-6:

6.07 Size Requirements. Numbers used for posting of address number shall be of a color or texture to significantly contrast with the surface they are posted on. The numbers shall meet the following minimum height size:

- a. If placed on a structure, 4½ inches.
- b. If placed on a 4 inch square post, 3 inches.
- c. If placed on a mailbox, 3 inches.

If the numbers are placed on a post the post shall be a minimum size of 4 inches square with 48 inches above the ground.

6.08 Number Visibility and Placement.

Numbers placed on a structure shall be visible from the road. Numbers placed on a post shall be visible from and face the road. Numbers placed on a mailbox shall be visible from both sides of the mailbox.

6.09 Posting of Numbers. Numbers shall be posted in the following manner:

a. If the structure is within 100 feet of the road the numbers can be placed:

- (1) On the structure, or
- (2) on a post located immediately adjacent to the driveway and which is no further than 30 feet from the road, or
- (3) on the mailbox if the mailbox is no more than 30 feet from the driveway.

b. If the structure is more than 100 feet from the road the numbers can be placed:

- (1) On a post located immediately adjacent to the driveway which is no further than 30 feet from the road, or
- (2) on the mailbox if the mailbox is no more than 30 feet from the driveway.

The following new Section XI is added to Ordinance 81-6:

Section XI-Penalties: If the owner of a structure fails to initially post the address number, keep the address number posted, or fails to post the address number in accordance with this ordinance the owner shall be notified of this failure in writing according to applicable state law. The owner shall be given sixty (60) days to post or re-post the address number. If at the end of sixty (60) days the address number is not posted, the County shall post the address number and bill the owner for the cost to the County for the time and materials involved.

Section IV. Severability:

If any provision of this ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision and the decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions thereof.

Section V. Repeal of Conflicting Ordinances:

All previously adopted ordinances, resolutions or parts

thereof in conflict with this ordinance, to the extent of such conflict and no further, are hereby repealed.

Section X. Emergency Clause:

Implementation of this ordinance, being necessary for continuing effective administration of Ordinance 81-6, and being necessary for the immediate preservation of public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist and this ordinance takes effect on its adoption.

Regularly passed and adopted by the Board of County Commissioners for Columbia County, Oregon, this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of February, 1983.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

READ IN FULL:

February 2, 1983  
Date

Robert M. Hunt  
Robert Hunt, Chairman

READ BY TITLE ONLY:

February 2, 1983  
Date

A. J. Ahlborn  
A. J. Ahlborn, Commissioner

Robert King  
Robert King, Commissioner

Roberta Stubbs  
Recording Secretary

VOTE: Commissioner Hunt	<u>✓</u> _____ _____	Aye Nay
Commissioner Ahlborn	<u>✓</u> _____ _____	Aye Nay
Commissioner King	<u>✓</u> _____ _____	Aye Nay