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**TOWN OF SHARON
ORDINANCE REGARDING ROAD NAMING AND
BUILDING NUMBERING**

Section 1 - General Provisions

Authority - This ordinance is enacted pursuant to 24 V.S.A. Sections 2291(3) and (16), 4421, and 1971, and 19 V.S.A. Section 304(17). It shall be known and cited as the Town of Sharon Road Naming and Building Numbering Ordinance. This Ordinance shall be adopted and take effect in accordance with the procedures and provisions set forth in 24 V.S.A. Chapter 59.

Purpose - The purpose of this Ordinance is to provide a uniform road naming and building numbering system throughout the Town to enable accurate and efficient location of property in the connection with emergency and other services provided by the Town.

Severability - Each provision of this Ordinance shall be deemed independent of all other provisions, and if any such provision is declared invalid or unenforceable, all other such provisions shall remain valid and enforceable.

Section 2 - Definitions

For purposes of this Ordinance, the following words and phrases shall have the following meanings:

Board - means the Sharon Board of Selectmen.

Primary Building - means the main structure used in connection with a dominant use of the property, and not including mere accessory buildings.

Private Road - means a driveway, or other way other than a street which is used to provide vehicular access to three or more primary buildings.

Public Road - means the entire width between the boundary lines of a public street, public way, or highway open to the use of the public for vehicular traffic.

Town - means the Town of Sharon.

Section 3 - Designation of Road Names and Building Numbers

Each public road in the Town shall be assigned a name by the Board of Selectmen. The official name of each road shall be identified on the Town Highway Map which is made a part of this Ordinance. The official number of all public and private roads shall be the number as designated on the Town Highway Map.

In assigning names to public roads, the Board shall assure that no two roads have the same or similar sounding names.

Section 4 - Public Road Signs

The Board of Selectmen may from time to time erect posts and install signs on Town public roads which contain the name and/or number designated for such road, or for an abutting or intersecting road. All signs shall be maintained by the Board of Selectmen to the highest degree possible subject to budget considerations.

Section 5 - Designation of Private Road Names or Numbers

The Board may designate a private road name or number for all private roads. The Board shall maintain a list of all current private road names or numbers for use by municipal departments and the public.

Section 6 - Designation of Building Numbers

The Board shall designate separate building numbers for "primary buildings" on a lot. The board shall maintain a list of all currently designated building numbers.

The sequence of numbers, letters, or characters used to designate building numbers shall create a pattern which can be reasonably understood by the public. Designated public and private roads shall be measured in segments of 5.28 feet from a designated starting point, usually that end of the road nearest to the intersection of Route 132 and Route 14.

The first 5.28 foot increment shall be assigned the numbers 1 and 2 and the second increment shall be assigned to numbers 3 and 4, and so on.

Low building numbers shall commence nearest the intersection of Route 132 and Route 14 and shall increase as the distance from the intersection increases. Odd numbers shall be designated for buildings on the left side of a road, and even numbers to the right side commencing at the starting point of the numbering segments.

Section 7 - Building Number Assignment and Placement of Signs

Building numbers shall be assigned by the Board to all public roads or private roads providing access to the primary building.

A building number sign shall be placed by the Board for each primary building as near as possible to the point of access. To the extent reasonable, such signs may be affixed to a mailbox post, post, tree or other fixed object within the public road so as to readily visible. Additionally, where readily visible from a road, such signs may be placed on the building itself, subject to the permission of the owner. Where a primary building consists of two or more units, numbering of each unit shall be identified by a letter or number suffix.

In cases where access to a primary building on a lot is not from a public road, such signs shall be affixed to a mailbox post, or other object within the right-of-way of the private road providing access to the primary building on a lot or on the building itself.

Where an owner of a mailbox post or similar item objects to placement of building number signs on such fixtures, it shall be the Board's responsibility to remove such signs promptly upon receipt of such objection in writing.

In situations where the Board does not have the authority or permission to install building number signs on a structure, it shall be the duty of the owner of the property to install and maintain such signs in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance.

Section 8 - Sign Ownership

All public and private road or building number signs required or permitted by this Ordinance shall be the property of the Town and shall be provided by the Town for their intended purpose.

No person shall obstruct, damage, remove, relocate, replace, or otherwise alter or tamper with any sign placed pursuant to this Ordinance, except with the permission of the Board.

The Board shall have the right from time to time to inspect signs to ensure compliance with this Ordinance.

Section 9 - Notice of Violation

Prior to the commencement of any enforcement action against any person for a violation of this Ordinance, the Town shall provide notice in writing to the alleged violator specifying the provisions of this Ordinance which are alleged to have been violated, briefly setting forth the facts relating to the act or failure to act which are alleged to have constituted the violation, and the action necessary to correct the alleged violation and the

direction to be followed to avoid future violations. The notice shall be hand delivered to the alleged violator or mailed to the alleged violator by registered or certified mail. Notice is effective upon such delivery or mailing.

If the notice requires corrective action, the alleged violator shall have thirty days from the date such notice is given to take such corrective action. If the notice requires that direction be followed to avoid repeat violations, the alleged violator shall have thirty days from the date such notice is given to begin following such direction. If, despite the notice and opportunity to cure specified above, the alleged violator fails to take the corrective action, then the Town may proceed to commence appropriate enforcement proceedings in accordance with Section 10 of this Ordinance.

Section 10 - Penalties and Enforcement

This Ordinance is hereby designated to be civil. The provisions of this section shall apply only after the Town has complied with the notice and opportunity to cure provisions contained in Section 9 of this Ordinance.

Except as provided for below, any person who shall violate any provision of this Ordinance shall be fined a civil penalty of \$50.00 for each offense. Each day the violation continues shall constitute a separate offense.

Whenever any applicable law or rule provides for the imposition of a waiver fee, waiver fine, or the like in lieu of the civil penalty, the waiver fine shall be \$25.00 for each offense and shall be imposed in lieu of the civil penalty.

The violation of any provision of this Ordinance is hereby declared to constitute a public nuisance. In addition to the civil penalty or waiver fine provided in this section and any other remedy provided by law for the abatement of a public nuisance, a representative of the Town authorized to enforce this Ordinance or the Board may apply for and obtain a cease order authorized by 24 V.S.A. Section 1974a(c) or any other injunctive relief against the person in violation of any provision of this Ordinance, to the extent and in such manner as is provided for by law or applicable court rules from time to time.

Enforcement of this Ordinance shall be by any certified law enforcement officer, Town Constable, the Board, the Town Agent, or by the attorney for the Town from time to time appointed by the Board for such purpose. Any such person shall also be authorized to represent the Town in any civil proceeding to the extent authorized under 24 V.S.A. Chapter 59 or applicable court rules. The Board or their designee is hereby authorized to pursue all civil remedies for collection of judgments and orders of the traffic and municipal ordinance bureau and other courts.

Passed and adopted by the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Sharon, Vermont on this 23rd day of April, 1996 at the duly called and held session of the Board of Selectmen.

Jean H. Broderick

Dale Patten

[Signature]

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
TOWN OF SHARON**

MASTER STREET LIST
 1911 DATABASE
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TH#	Class	ROAD NAME
	State	US Rte. 14
1	2	Beaver Meadow Rd
2	2	US/VT Route 132
3	2	River Rd
4	2	Broad Brook Rd
5	2	Howe Hill Rd
6	3	Town Farm Road
7	3	White Brook Rd
8	3	Sherlock Rd
9	4	Nameless
10	3	Swanson Rd
11	3	Quimby Mountain Rd
12	3	Cross Rd
13	3	Cowslip Hill Road
14	3	Highlake Rd
15	3	Muir Rd
16	3	Downer Forest Road
16	3	Downer Forest Rd Ext.
17	3	Fay Brook Rd
18	3,4	Star Mountain Rd
19	3	Downer Forest Rd
20	3	Keyes Rd
21	3,4	Turnpike Rd
22	3,4	Churchill Rd. North
23	4	Sugar House Road

24	LT	Nameless
25	3	Idlewood Hill Rd.
26	3	Ogden Lane
27	3,4	Mosher Lane
28	3,4	Dyer Rd
28	4	Raymond Rd
29	3	Carpenter Rd
30	3	O'Donnell Farm Rd
31	3	Deer Meadow Lane
32	4	Ruella Road
33	3	Lake Mitchell Rd
34	3	Upper Broad Brook Rd
35	3,4	Old Stage Rd
36	3	Moore Rd
36	3	Maverick Farm Rd
37	3	Moore Rd
38	3	Lyman Rd
39	3	Fale Farm Road
40	3	Stationmasters Rd
41	3	Kenyon Hill Road
42	3,4	Blake Rd
43	3	Sharhart Rd
44	3	Ridge Lane
45	3	Eastman Rd
47	3	Nameless
48	3	Cummings Rd

49	3	Churchill Rd. North
50	3	Raymond Rd
53	3	Leon's Lane
55	3	Daisy Lane
59	4	Nameless
	3	School Driveway
LT		Honey Brook Rd
LT		to Fisk, Loftus
Pvt		Kinney Farm Rd-Pvt
Pvt		Bancroft Hill Rd-Pvt
Pvt		Day's Lane-Pvt
Pvt		Temple Hill-Pvt
Pvt		Baxter Mountain Rd-Pvt
Pvt		Karilyn Drive-Pvt
Pvt		Wendy Lane-Pvt
Pvt		Breezy Lane-Pvt
Pvt		Westland Farm Rd
Pvt		Highlake Roads
Pvt		Hillinger, Bullards Silovich
Pvt		Von Ammon, Brian Cain, et al