

ORDINANCE NO. 5 OF 1998

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ROBINSON, COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING CHAPTER 4, PART 1, SECTIONS 101 - 105, OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ROBINSON CODE OF ORDINANCES TO FACILITATE THE TOWNSHIP'S IMPLEMENTATION OF THE COUNTY WIDE 911 EMERGENCY PROGRAM BY PROVIDING STANDARDS FOR THE UNIFORM AND SEQUENTIAL NUMBERING OF ALL BUILDINGS IN THE TOWNSHIP AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF.

The following are the findings of the Commissioners of the Township of Robinson:

WHEREAS, the Township of Robinson's Board of Commissioners have determined that 911 emergency service enhances the protection of its citizens and its community, as said service allows emergency services to be more efficiently coordinated; and,

WHEREAS, certain buildings, including but not limited to residential, commercial and industrial buildings, located in the Township of Robinson do not have proper signage, other markings or addresses that are in accordance with the recommendations of the 911 implementation team, as authorized by the Public Safety Emergency Telephone Act, Act No. 78, July 9, 1990, 35 P.S. §7011 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Robinson's Board of Commissioners have determined that the health, safety and general welfare of its citizens and its community are promoted by the adoption of a building numbering system.

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority granted by the Constitution and the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE Commissioners of the Township of Robinson as follows:

1. Chapter 4, Part 1, §101 - §105 of the Township of Robinson Code of Ordinances is hereby amended and restated as follows:

§101. Building Numbering System Adopted. The survey, plan and system for the numbering of houses and buildings as adopted by this Board in Ordinance 16-1989, on August 14, 1989, is hereby amended by the recommendations of the 911 implementation team. A copy of said recommendations attached hereto and made a part hereof, is hereby approved and adopted.

§102. Responsibility for Numbering Buildings. On and after the passage and approval of this Part 1, it shall be the duty of each and every owner, trustee, agent and occupant of each and every building, including but not limited to residential, commercial and industrial buildings, to be numbered in accordance with this Part 1, and the system and plan as hereby adopted and approved.

§103. Requirements for Numbers.

1. Location of Numbers, Entrance ways. The designated street address number shall be placed in a conspicuous place on or over each front door, on the front transom bar, or over or on either side of the entrance to each residence and/or building. The number must be easily readable from the street and shall not be obstructed by any item that tends to conceal the number from sight.
2. Location of Numbers, Mailboxes. The designated street address numbers may also be placed on mailboxes. However, numbers may not be placed solely on a mailbox if said mailbox is not directly in front of the building. If the mailbox is not directly in front of the building, then a person placing numbers on their mailbox must place them on both the mailbox and the entranceway of the building. If a person chooses to place numbers on its mailbox, these numbers must be placed on both sides of the mailbox and must be visible from either direction of the street.
3. Minimum Size Requirements for Residential Uses. The size of numbers used to number residential buildings shall be no smaller than three (3) inches. These numbers may be larger in order to allow them to be clearly read from the street.
4. Minimum Size Requirements for All Other Uses. The size of numbers used to number all other buildings shall be no smaller than six (6) inches. These numbers may be larger in order to allow them to be clearly read from the street.
5. Style of Numbering. All numbers shall contrast with the background upon which they are placed: light colored numbers shall be placed on a dark background or dark colored numbers shall be placed on a light background.
6. Renumbering. The Township Engineer and /or the Township's Police Department is hereby authorized to require the numbering and renumbering of any house, building, or other structure in accordance with this Part I.

§104. Numbering System. Interstate Route 79 shall be dividing line between east and west, and U.S. Route 60 shall be the dividing line between north and south. The initial point in numbering houses on the streets extending north and south shall be at U.S. Route 60 and the initial point in numbering houses on streets running east and west shall be at Interstate 79. North of U.S. Route 60 the numbers shall commence at 1 and extend northward consecutively, and south of U.S. Route 60 the numbers shall commence at 101 and shall extend southward consecutively. West of Interstate 79 the numbers shall commence at 1 and shall extend westward consecutively, and east of Interstate 79 the numbers shall commence at 101 and shall extend eastward consecutively, in accordance with the attached plan. All even numbers shall be on the south and west side of the streets, and all odd numbers shall be on the north and east side of the streets. The houses on short or intermediate streets shall be numbered uniformly with the main streets paralleling the short or intermediate streets, whether or not the short or intermediate streets begin at the initial point. Provided that

nothing in this Part shall prohibit the Township Engineer or the Township's Police Department, in conjunction with the recommendations of the 911 implementation team, from renumbering selected streets and buildings as is necessary to facilitate the needs of the 911 emergency system.

§105. Penalties. Any person, firm or corporation who shall violate any provision of this Part 1 shall, upon conviction thereof, be sentenced to pay a fine not to exceed the sum of \$600.00 or imprisonment for a term not to exceed thirty (30) days. Each day that a violation continues after due notice has been served, in accordance with the terms and provisions hereof, shall be deemed a separate offense.

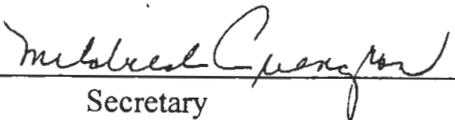
2. In the event any provision of this Ordinance or its application to any persons or under any circumstances shall be held unconstitutional, illegal or invalid, the same shall not affect the validity of this Ordinance as a whole or any part thereof, other than the part so declared to be invalid.

3. In the event any Ordinance or part thereof conflicts with the provisions of this Ordinance, then the same shall be and is hereby repealed insofar as the same affects this Ordinance.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED INTO LAW this 10th day of November, 1998.

Attest:

TOWNSHIP OF ROBINSON


Secretary

By: 
Chairman, Board of Commissioners