

ORDINANCE 210

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE NUMBERING OF HOUSES AND BUILDINGS IN THE CITY OF BIRD ISLAND, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION

The City Council of the City of Bird Island, Minnesota, does ordain:

Section I. House Numbers Required. It shall be the duty of the owner, agent, lessor or occupant of every house or other building, except private garages and other buildings which are a part of the same property with a numbered house or building, to place on every such house or building its proper house number, either by printing or by affixing such number in metal, glass, or other form, so that the same shall be clearly visible from the public right-of-way at the front of the structure. Such number shall be placed on each house or building within thirty days from the time such owner, agent, lessor or occupant is notified either by mail, publication or telephone of the assignment of a number to such house or building as hereinafter provided.

- a. The Administrator, in accordance with this ordinance, shall assign numbers to houses and buildings using the manner set forth in the city's addressing structure.

Section II. Specification of numbers. In order to comply with this chapter, building numbers shall be Arabic numerals, unless otherwise approved by the Zoning Administrator. Other types of numbers shall be approved unless they are so decorative as to be difficult to read. They shall further conform to the following requirements:

- a. Specification and height. Numbers shall have a minimum height of not less than three and one half inches and the body of the number shall have a minimum width of not less than one half inch. All new building numbers installed after the effective date of this ordinance shall be mounted at a height between four feet and ten feet above the ground. They shall be sufficiently legible as to contrasting background, arrangement, spacing; size and uniformity of integers so that the numbers may be read with ease during daylight hours by a person possessing at least 20/40 vision viewing the numbers from the centerline of the street.
- b. Location. Numbers shall be mounted in a secure fashion to the building's front wall, in the general vicinity of the main entryway or main path of travel which leads to the main entrance from a public street. Alternatively, the numbers may be otherwise separately mounted in an approved manner upon the face of a wall or upon a post in the front yard of the premises. All numbers, whether affixed to a structure or post, shall be so placed that trees, shrubs and other obstructions do not block the line of sight of the numbers from the center of the street to any appreciable degree. Where two or more nonresidential buildings back up to any public alley or private access way, the building number shall be displayed at the rear of the buildings in the same manner as in the front.

Section III. Penalty. Whoever shall fail to comply with the provisions of this ordinance, or whoever shall affix to or display upon any house or other building, except private garages and other buildings which are a part of the same property with a numbered house or building, any such numbers other than those assigned by the City shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, shall be fined \$100.

Section IV. Effective Date. This ordinance shall be effective one year from adoption.

Passed and adopted by the Bird Island City Council this 14th day of November, 2011.

Attest:

City Administrator:

Deb Lingle

Mayor:

Robert Leidl