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To: County Commissioners

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Re: Update on Proposed Revisions to County Code of Ordinances Chapter 91: Public Safety E911 Telephone/Addressing

Commissioners,

Over the past few months, the County E911 Address Coordinator has been conducting audits of existing 911 addresses throughout the county in an attempt to coincide with §91.043 of our Code of Ordinances which currently states that "all roads, both public and private, shall be named, numbered, and have road name signs installed if two or more addressable structures, including mobile homes, are located on and accessed by them." Our Address Coordinator has found many roads with more than two addressable structures on them and the department is slowly working with residents to get these roads named & addressed properly.

Additionally, the department has reviewed Chapter 91 of the County Code of Ordinances concerning E911 addressing information. I am proposing a few text amendments to this chapter which does not remove any requirements, but instead will enhance existing text to be more defined and uniform. These proposed amendments are shown in the attached ordinance highlighted in yellow. All in all, these proposed amendments to this chapter will further ensure the safety of our citizens and continue to enhance emergency response times based on our criteria for addressing.

Finally, the County Manager and Emergency Management Coordinator has reviewed these proposed amendments and feels they are sufficient.

Per your request at the March 15th meeting, I have updated Section 91.116 Public Hearing Required for Amendments to state: "A public hearing shall be held by the Board of County Commissioners before the adoption of any proposed amendments to this chapter if the amendments will affect more than five (5) addressable structures." No other text has been added since the initial presentation. Please let me know if you have any questions. Thank you.

Wesley Barker
Planning Director

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GENERAL PROVISIONS

§ 91.001 TITLE.

This chapter shall be known as the Ashe County Public Safety E-911 Telephone/Addressing Ordinance.

(Ord. passed 5-7-90; Amended 3-19-12)

§ 91.002 LEGISLATIVE PURPOSES AND AUTHORITIES.

The Board of Commissioners declares it to be in the public interest to provide a toll free telephone number and establish a detailed, permanent, uniform, addressing system through which an individual in this county can gain rapid, direct access to public safety aid. The telephone number and addressing system shall be provided with the objective of reducing response time to situations requiring law enforcement, fire, medical, rescue, or other public safety service. This chapter is established pursuant to G.S. Chapter 62A and G.S. Chapter 153A, Article 12.

(Ord. passed 5-7-90; Amended 3-19-12)

§ 91.003 DEFINITIONS.

For the purpose of this chapter, the following definitions shall apply unless the context clearly indicates or requires a different meaning.

ADDRESSING. The assigning of names to all unnamed state maintained roads within the boundaries of the county and the approval process for naming private roads.

ADDRESSABLE STRUCTURES. Includes residential, mobile and manufactured homes, business, private meeting and industrial structures. Agricultural structures and recreational vehicles may also be addressable structures upon request.

AGRICULTURAL STRUCTURE. A structure that is used exclusively for agricultural purposes.

AVENUE. A major road that runs generally in an east/west direction.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS. The County Board of Commissioners.

BOULEVARD. An unusually wide street typically in residential areas; often with central, dividing median.

CHAPTER ADMINISTRATOR. The County E911 Address Coordinator.

CIRCLE. A short road that returns to itself.

COUNTY. The County of Ashe, North Carolina.

COURT. A dead end right-of-way often ending as a cul-de-sac.

DRIVE. A curving secondary road.

E911 or ENHANCED 911 SERVICE. An emergency telephone system that provides the user of the public telephone system with 911 service and, in addition, provides the capability for automatic number identification and automatic location identification features.

HIGHWAY. A designated state or federal highway.

INTERSTATE. A thoroughfare of the highest order and federally designated as an interstate.

GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM (GIS). A computerized mapping system that depicts a variety of information, to include public and private roads and addressed structures.

LANE. A short private road that branches off of another road and ends or connects to another secondary road.

LOOP. A short road that starts and ends on the same street or road.

NEXT GENERATION 911 (NG911). An internet protocol (IP)-based system for routing digital information (e.g. text messages, photos) to the appropriate 911 call center, or Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP).

PARKWAY. A special scenic route or park drive.

PLACE. A cul-de-sac or permanent dead end road.

PRIVATE ROAD. Any road which is not maintained by a governmental entity or agency through the use of public funds. Road name suffixes for private roads include "trail," "lane," and "way."

PUBLIC ROAD. Any road which is maintained by a governmental entity or agency through the use of public funds.

PUBLIC SAFETY AGENCY. An agency that provides fire-fighting, law enforcement, medical, suicide prevention, civil defense, poison control, or other emergency services.

RADIO/COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES. Includes any radio communications, transmissions, dispatching or future Enhanced 911 communications that may involve police, emergency, fire, or rescue operations, but are not limited to these aforesaid operations.

RECREATIONAL VEHICLE. A vehicle that is designed to be self-propelled or permanently towable by a light duty truck; and is designed primarily not for use as a permanent dwelling, but as temporary living quarters for recreational, camping, travel or seasonal use.

ROAD. A well-traveled secondary road often connecting with a U.S. or state primary highway.

STREET. A major road that runs generally in a north/south direction.

STREET ADDRESS. An unique identifier for each addressable structure within the county. The minimum adequate STREET ADDRESS shall be defined as the assigned structure number and the officially adopted road name. Where required by this chapter, the STREET ADDRESS shall also include the assigned unit designator.

STRUCTURE. Any building, whether residential, commercial, industrial, or institutional in nature and use.

STRUCTURE NUMBER. The numerical portion of the street address, as assigned by the chapter administrator or his or her designee, in accordance with the Official Road Name and Structure Numbering Map of the County.

THOROUGHFARE. A general, all-inclusive term for: roads, public or private; street; drive; cartway; easement; right-of-way; or any other word or words that mean a way of access.

TRAIL. A local, private road that serves as a connector for larger roads.

UNIT DESIGNATORS. The portion of the street address used to distinguish individual units within the same structure. Apartments and suites hereby shall be referred to as units.

WAY. A minor private road that begins and ends on the same road.

(Ord. passed 5-7-90; Amended 3-19-12)

TELEPHONE

§ 91.015 E911 CHARGES.

Under G.S. Chapter 62A, the state imposes and collects a monthly E911 charge upon each exchange access facility subscribed to by telephone subscribers whose exchange access lines are in the area served or which would be served by the E911 service.

(Ord. passed 5-7-90; Amended 3-19-12)

§ 91.016 EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM FUND.

The state E911 Board makes available to each county funds received through the E911 charge into an Emergency Telephone System Fund. These funds are used to provide a toll free telephone number through which an individual can gain rapid access to public safety aid.

(Ord. passed 5-7-90; Amended 3-19-12)

§ 91.017 TELEPHONE RECORDS.

(A) Each telephone service supplier shall provide subscriber telephone numbers, names and service addresses to E911 systems when required by the county. Although customer numbers, names and service addresses shall be available to E911 systems, such information shall remain the property of the disclosing service supplier. This information shall be used only in providing emergency response services to E91 calls. The county may not release a telephone number required to be provided under this section to any person for any purposes other than including the number in the emergency telephone system database or providing the number to permit a response to police, fire, medical, or other emergency situation.

(B) To the extent necessary to provide E911 service, private listing customers of a service supplier in an E911 service area waive the privacy afforded by non-listed and non-published numbers when E911 service is established.

(C) No service supplier, or agents or employees of a service supplier, shall be liable to any person provided E911 service established under this chapter for release for emergency telephone purposes of information specified in this section that is not already part of the public record, including non-listed or non-published numbers.

(Ord. passed 5-7-90; Amended 3-19-12)

§ 91.018 LIMITATION OF LIABILITY.

A service supplier, including any telephone company and its employees, directors, officers and agents, is not liable for any damages in a civil action for injuries, death, or loss to persons or property incurred by any person as a result of any act or omission of a service supplier or of any of its employees, directors, officers, or agents, except for willful or wanton misconduct, in connection with developing, adopting, implementing, maintaining, or operating an E911 system.

(Ord. passed 5-7-90; Amended 3-19-12)

§ 91.019 PERSONS OUTSIDE COUNTY.

When an individual physically resides in an adjacent county, but receives local exchange telephone service from a central office in the county, it shall be the responsibility of the county to notify the appropriate public agency of a request for public safety service from such individual.

(Ord. passed 5-7-90; Amended 3-19-12)

ADDRESSING

§ 91.030 TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION.

The road naming and addressing policies set forth in this chapter shall be applicable to all of the unincorporated areas of the county and all areas of the county that are being provided radio/communications services by the County Communications/E-9-1-1 Center.

This section specifically applies to other governments being served by the E-9-1-1 Center, which may or may not have a contractual agreement for these services.

(Amended 3-19-12)

§ 91.031 INCORPORATED AREAS.

Any incorporated area within the county that is being provided radio/communications services by the County Communications/E-9-1-1 Center, shall bear the responsibility, of adhering to the road naming and addressing policies set forth in this chapter and/or adopt a compatible chapter by their governing board. (Amended 3-19-12)

NUMBERING SYSTEM

§ 91.040 UNIFORMITY OF THE SYSTEM.

All roads that are officially designated on the addressing map whether public or private, shall be numbered uniformly and consecutively along the roadway centerline. Numbers shall be assigned along the entirety of all named thoroughfares.

(Amended 3-19-12)

§ 91.041 ORIGIN POINT.

The origin point, or vertex, of the numbering system shall be located at the intersection of Academy Street and E. Main Street (in front of the 1904 courthouse) in Jefferson.

(Amended 3-19-12)

§ 91.042 NORTH-SOUTH AND EAST-WEST AXES.

The county shall be divided by two axes. The north-south axis shall be US 221. The east-west axis shall be NC 88 and E. Main Street.

(Amended 3-19-12)

§ 91.043 ROAD NAMING AND NUMBERING CRITERIA.

All roads, both public and private, shall be named, numbered, and have road name signs installed if two or more addressable structures, ~~including mobile homes~~, are located on and accessed by them. This does not include driveways where all structures are located within 50 feet of the primary road. (Amended 3-19-12)

§ 91.044 NUMBERING METHOD.

A pair of numbers, each being either a three-, four-, or five-digit natural number, called a structure number, shall be assigned at intervals of two and one-half feet along a roadway centerline. Odd natural numbers shall be assigned to the left side of the road by ascending numbers moving away from the axes or origin point. Even natural numbers shall be assigned to the right side of the road in a like manner. (Amended 3-19-12)

§ 91.045 DEAD END ROADS.

All dead end roads and cul-de-sacs shall begin with ascending numbers at the open end, that being the end connecting to another road.

(Amended 3-19-12)

§ 91.046 ROADS CONNECTING TO BOTH AXES.

Roads which connect to both axes shall begin ascending numbers on the end stemming from the north-south axis.

(Amended 3-19-12)

§ 91.047 NUMBERS BEGIN WITH 101 FOR STRUCTURES.

Each given road starts out with number 100 which is the intersection. The first potentially assignable structure number on a given road shall be the number 101.

(Amended 3-19-12)

ADDRESSING SYSTEM

§ 91.055 METHOD OF ASSIGNING A NUMBER.

Each residential, business, private meeting structure, and industrial structure shall be assigned a structure number based on the number of the appropriate segment of roadway centerline. Agricultural structures and recreational vehicles for which the owners desire telephone service may be assigned a number upon request. No other structures shall have numbers assigned. The structure number shall be determined by the line perpendicular to the road centerline, which intersects the centerline of the house or driveway leading to the structure. In cases where a structure has a loop driveway or more than one driveway, the structure number shall be assigned to the driveway that best services the main access to the structure. The number of the centerline segment at the point of perpendicular intersection shall be the number of the structure. Numbers shall not be assigned to structures requiring permits until footings have met building code regulations as determined by the Building Inspections Office.

(Amended 3-19-12)

§ 91.056 CORNER LOTS.

Structures on corner lots shall be assigned a structure number either from the road which intersects the addressable driveway to that structure, or from the road in which the main access or entrance to the structure is oriented. The number will be assigned using the method in § 91.055 above and will be assigned in the manner as determined by the chapter administrator or his or her designee.

(Amended 3-19-12)

§ 91.057 ROAD NAME OF ADDRESS.

The road name for an address shall be the name of the road from which the structure is numbered.

(Amended 3-19-12)

§ 91.058 REQUIREMENTS FOR ROAD NAMING AND NUMBERING.

If development on a private road exceeds the minimum structure regulation (§ 91.043), the road shall be named and numbered and structures readdressed according to the requirements herein.

(Amended 3-19-12)

§ 91.059 ~~DUPLEX, AND MULTI-FAMILY DWELLINGS.~~ STRUCTURE(S) SHARING A COMMON ROOF.

~~One structure number shall be assigned to each structure whose units share a common roof. Each unit within the structure shall be assigned a unit designator. Allowed unit designators include apartment numbers for apartments, and numbers for commercial buildings. The unit designator shall include both numeric and alphabetic characters as stated in § 91.060 of this chapter. This section specifically applies to multi-family dwellings.~~ (Amended 3-19-12)

For structures sharing a common roof, addresses and/or unit designators will be assigned based on whether structures share a common entrance or have individual entrances. For structures sharing a common roof that use a common entrance, structures contained within will be assigned a single 911 address but given unit designators. Structures sharing a common roof with individual entrances will be assigned individual 911 addresses.

§ 91.060 ASSIGNING OF UNIT DESIGNATORS.

Residential and commercial unit designators shall be assigned a unit number and the letter "A" with unit designators starting at 1. For example, an apartment building with six units (regardless of floor) could have an address of 119A1, 119A2, 119A3, 119A4, 119A5 and 119A6 (Amended 3-19-12) For example, an apartment building with three units that is located at 119 Pine St. (regardless of floor) would have the following addresses: 119 Pine St. Unit 1, 119 Pine St. Unit 2 and 119 Pine St. Unit 3. Unit designators will be assigned using the same numbering method in §91.044.

§ 91.061 MOBILE HOMES.

Manufactured housing or mobile homes located on individual lots within mobile home developments or mobile home parks shall be assigned individual street addresses according to the requirements herein. Manufactured housing or mobile homes located in developments or parks shall be assigned a number plus a numeric lot number. The homes shall display the numeric lot number address on the front of the structure.

(Amended 3-19-12)

POSTING REQUIREMENTS FOR STRUCTURES

§ 91.070 TIME CONSTRAINTS.

Within 90 days after written notification of the assignment of, or change of, a structure number, or prior to a final building inspection, whichever occurs first, the owner of the structure shall post the assigned structure number in compliance with the requirements herein.

(Amended 3-19-12)

§ 91.071 NUMBER SPECIFICATIONS.

(A) All homes, businesses, private meeting houses, industrial structures, addressed agricultural structures and addressed recreational vehicles shall have displayed address numbers ~~and or letters~~ that are no less than four inches tall, are on a background that contrasts with the color scheme of the structure and are of a reflective material that, when possible, is clearly legible from the road on which the address is derived.

(B) The address numbers ~~and or letters~~ shall be installed on the front of the structure, preferably near the front door. In all cases, a number size larger than the minimum size may be required in an instance where the minimum size does not provide adequate identification.

(C) For new construction, the Building Inspector shall not issue a certificate of occupancy or one of compliance until the assigned number is properly exhibited.

(Ord. passed 11-18-92; Amended 3-19-12)

§ 91.072 POSTING LOCATIONS.

(A) For single-family residential or duplex structures, the structure number shall be posted and maintained within a three-foot perimeter of the front entrance of the structure, in a location visible and readable from the road. For all other structures, the structure number shall be posted on a building face most readily visible from the road from which the number is assigned. Unit designators shall be posted at each unit within a three-foot perimeter of the front entrance of the unit.

(B) In the event that a structure or its posted number is not visible from the road from which its number is assigned, the assigned structure number shall also be posted on property adjacent to the road. This number shall be a minimum of four inches in height and located at the primary driveway access point at a height of at least three feet as to be easily recognized as an address from inside a responding emergency vehicle.

(C) In all cases, the structure number shall be clearly displayed in such a way that the structure number can easily be identified from the street or road during both day or night.

(Ord. passed 11-18-92; Amended 3-19-12)

§ 91.073 MAINTENANCE OF STRUCTURE NUMBERS.

Following the posting of the assigned number as required herein, the owner shall maintain the structure number at all times in compliance with the requirements of this subchapter. Structure numbers and unit designators, as viewed from the road, shall not be obstructed from view.

(Amended 3-19-12)

ROAD NAMING

§ 91.085 APPROVAL OF NAMES.

The chapter administrator shall have authority to approve road names within the unincorporated areas of the county, subject to the requirements of this subchapter. The chapter administrator may confer with town officials regarding road names within incorporated areas of the county. Road names approved by this section shall be added to the GIS map. Any requests for a road name change shall require a petition signed by 100% of the resident landowners to be submitted along with sufficient payment as may be necessary to affect such an alteration.

(Ord. passed 11-18-92; Amended 3-19-12)

§ 91.086 DECEPTIVELY SIMILAR NAMES.

The chapter administrator shall maintain a database of existing road names, such that duplicate or "deceptively similar" road names are neither approved nor assigned.

(Ord. passed 11-18-92; Amended 3-19-12)

§ 91.087 ROAD NAMES.

New road names that relate to the history, location, or scale of a project area shall be given consideration.

(Amended 3-19-12)

§ 91.088 UNDESIRABLE NAMES.

The following kinds of names shall be avoided: numerical, alphabetical, and complicated names, and names which tend to offend the community. The chapter administrator is given authority to refuse to accept any road name which in his or her opinion violates the provisions of this subchapter.

(Amended 3-19-12)

§ 91.089 ROAD SEGMENTS.

Each road shall bear the same name and uniform numbering along the entirety of the road. Segments of roads shall not be allowed to have different or separate names. The chapter administrator shall determine what constitutes a road or way. This section does not apply to road names existing prior to March 5, 2012.

(Amended 3-19-12)

§ 91.090 IMPASSES.

Impasses or sections of a road that are impassable shall be assigned different names and numbering to each portion of the road on either side of the impasse to preserve the integrity and continuity of the numbering system.

(Amended 3-19-12)

§ 91.091 EXISTING ROAD NAMES.

The chapter administrator shall whenever possible, consistent with the provisions of this chapter, retain road names already established.

(Amended 3-19-12)

ROAD NAME SIGNS AND STANDARDS

§ 91.100 INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE.

All public road name signs required by this chapter shall be installed and maintained by the county unless said road is maintained by a municipality, in which the road signs shall then be installed and maintained by the municipality. Private road name signs may be installed by the property owner(s), developer or homeowner's association, but signs must meet the sign standard design requirements found in § 91.101. All private road name signs required by this chapter shall be installed by the property owner(s) and/or the developer or homeowners' association. (Amended 3-19-12)

§ 91.101 SIGN STANDARDS.

(A) Road name signs that are used for the purposes of addressing a road, public or private, shall be required to be legible and accurate with the information they attempt to convey. The signs should display only the state road number and correct name, as approved by the county.

(B) In the case of private roads, they shall display the official name as agreed by petition of landowners, or in absence of such petition, may display either a number that indicates the location that it intersects with a state road or a name assigned by the E-911 Addressing Coordinator.

(C) Any and all signs that may be construed as contradictory in any form shall hereby be unlawful to erect on or near state rights-of-way.

(D) All road name signs shall be a six-inch vertical dimension sign.

(E) Road name signs or "blades" shall be made of reflective green sheeting with the road name in reflective white letters on both sides. Entry/exit road signs from a private road that abuts a public road must use this sign style and cannot be a custom-made street sign.

(F) In residential districts, at least one road name sign shall be mounted at each intersection.

(G) Whenever physical conditions permit, signs shall be located on the right hand side of the road as one approaches the intersection.

(H) Signs shall be located to optimize nighttime visibility.

(I) Only road names approved by the county shall be placed on signs.

(Ord. passed 11-18-92; Amended 3-19-12)

§ 91.102 EXISTING ROAD SIGNS.

The chapter administrator shall retain existing road signs already in place, except for those signs which are inconsistent with the provisions of this chapter and substantially affect the purposes sought to be carried out by this chapter.

(Amended 3-19-12)

ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT

§ 91.110 ADMINISTRATOR AND RESPONSIBILITIES.

(A) The E-911 Addressing Coordinator, or his or her designee, is given authority to administer and assign county addresses, and to enforce the provisions of this chapter. Questions arising from the enforcement of this chapter shall be interpreted by the E-911 Addressing Coordinator or his or her designee.

(B) Interpretation of this chapter shall be accomplished by the E-911 Addressing Coordinator or his or her designee.

(C) The chapter administrator shall report to the Ashe County Board of Commissioners at their scheduled meetings as needed to keep the members of the boards informed of any pertinent addressing related matters and to provide them with a summary of any such matters.

(Amended 3-19-12)

§ 91.111 APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS.

The chapter administrator shall accept and examine all requests, road naming petitions, signage variances and initial appeals.

(Amended 3-19-12)

§ 91.112 PETITIONING FOR A ROAD NAME.

Roads eligible for naming by means of this chapter, may be named by submitting a petition signed by all of the land owners along the road and upon approval by the chapter administrator.

(Ord. passed 11-18-92; Amended 3-19-12)

§ 91.113 CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY.

Final approval for a certificate of occupancy of any structure or building erected or repaired after the effective date of this chapter shall be withheld until permanent and proper structure numbers have been posted in accordance with the requirements herein.

(Ord. passed 11-18-92; Amended 3-19-12)

§ 91.114 PROCEDURE UPON DENIAL.

Any person denied a request directed to the chapter administrator may protest in writing to the chapter administrator. If not satisfied with the administrator's final decision, an appeal may be directed to the County Manager.

(Amended 3-19-12)

§ 91.115 LETTER OF NOTIFICATION: CHANGES TO ADDRESSES.

Whenever there is a change in the addressing system involving any portion of an address, the land owner of that parcel's address as shown on the county's tax listing shall be mailed a notice of the proposed address change in the addressing system. The notice shall be mailed by first class mail.

§ 91.116 PUBLIC HEARING REQUIRED FOR AMENDMENTS.

These chapter regulations may be amended or revised from time to time by the Board of County Commissioners. A public hearing shall be held by the Board of County Commissioners before the adoption of any proposed amendments to this chapter if the amendments will affect more than five (5) addressable structures. The Board shall cause notice of public hearing which shall be advertised once a week for two (2) successive calendar weeks in a newspaper having general circulation in the area. The notice shall be published for the first time not less than ten (10) days or more than twenty-five (25) days before the appointed date of the hearing. In computing such period, the day of publication is not to be included, but the day of the hearing shall be included.

§ ~~91.115~~ 91.117 LEGAL STATUS PROVISIONS.

(A) It shall be unlawful for any person to use or display a different address or portion thereof except as provided by this chapter or the GIS Map.

(B) It shall be unlawful for any person to name or designate the name of any private road, street, drive, cartway, easement, right-of-way, access area or any other thoroughfare, except as provided by this chapter.

(C) It shall be unlawful for any person to establish or erect any road sign that does not comply with the standards set forth in this chapter.

(D) It shall be unlawful for any person to intentionally destroy, mar, or deface any county road name sign.

(E) Punishment for violations provided for in this subchapter shall be as set forth in § 91.999. (Amended 3-19-12)

§ ~~91.116~~ 91.118 NOTIFICATION OF VIOLATION.

Notification of violation shall:

(A) Be issued by the chapter administrator or his or her designee;

(B) Be in writing, directed to the name and address of the owner of the structure by regular mail first and if no response by certified mail return receipt; and

(C) Set forth the action necessary for the offender to be in compliance with this chapter. (Amended 3-19-12)

§ ~~91.117~~ 91.119 LEGAL PROSECUTION.

Nothing herein contained shall prevent the county from taking other such lawful action as is necessary to prevent or remedy any violation.

(Amended 3-19-12)

§ ~~91.118~~ 91.120 APPEALS AND REQUESTS FOR VARIANCE.

Road naming appeals and appeals for signage variance shall adhere to the procedures below:

(A) First appeal or request for variance must:

(1) Be in writing, directed to the chapter administrator.

(2) Be dated and describe the reasons for the appeal.

(3) Appeals shall clearly state that all property owners along the road are aware that any road name sign posting variance may hinder emergency response personnel in their efforts to locate a particular address.

(4) Contain the signatures of all the property owners along the road.

(B) Second appeal must be in writing, directed to the County Manager.

(C) Appeals from decision of the County Manager may be made to the Board of Commissioners.

(Amended 3-19-12)

§ 91.999 PENALTY.

(A) Violation of this chapter is a misdemeanor as provided by G.S. § 14-4 and may be punished as provided by § 10.99.

(B) Any person who intentionally calls the E911 number for other than purposes of obtaining public safety assistance commits a misdemeanor.

(C) Civil penalties may be imposed in accordance with the following procedure:

(1) Initial notification of violation, in writing by first class mail, to the last known address of the person to be notified.

(2) If not corrected within ten days, a warning citation may be issued.

(3) If not corrected within seven days of issuance of a warning citation, a second citation including a fine of \$25 may be issued.

(4) Each day the violation continues shall constitute a separate violation of this chapter.

(D) Road name signs. Violations of §§ 91.100 through 91.102 shall be punishable by maximum fines of up to \$250 for each violation.

(Ord. passed 5-7-90; Amended 3-19-12)