

CHANGEABLE SIGNS ORDINANCE

1. AUTHORITY

The Town of Hartland, Maine hereby enacts this "Changeable Signs Ordinance" (hereinafter the "Ordinance") pursuant to 23 M.R.S.A.*1914(11-A), 30-A M.R.S.A.*3001

2. PURPOSE

The purpose of this Ordinance is to regulate the frequency and manner of change of display on each side of a changeable sign in a manner contrary to that provided by State law and to do so in a manner that promotes highway safety.

3. DEFINITIONS

- A. Changeable Sign- "Changeable Sign" means an on premises sign created, designed, manufactured or modified in such a way that its message may be electronically, digitally or mechanically altered by the complete substitution or replacement of one display by another on each side.
- B. Display- "Display" means that portion of the surface area of a changeable sign that is, or is designed to be or is capable of being periodically altered for the purpose of conveying a message.
- C. Message- "Message" means a communication conveyed by means of a visual display of text.

4. REGULATIONS

- A. The display on each side of the changeable sign may be changed no more frequently than once every twenty(20) seconds.
- B. The display on each side of the changeable sign must change as rapidly as technologically practicable, but the display may change through phasing, rolling, scrolling or blending, provided, however, that the display on each side of a changeable sign shall not flash.

5. ADMINISTRATION

Pursuant to 23 M.R.S.A.*1914(11-A), the Changeable signs within the municipality and displays on each side of those changeable signs shall comply with all other requirements of State law. The Town shall notify the Maine Department of Transportation in writing that it has adopted this Ordinance and shall send it a copy of the same. The Maine Department of Transportation shall administer the provisions of this Ordinance.

DATE OF ENACTMENT:

7/24/2006 minutes attached

JULY 24, 2006

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING - *Minutes*

Greetings were given and meeting was held 7 PM Monday evening.

Article 1: To choose a moderator. Vaughn A. Stedman was nom. ballots cast and chosen for moderator to preside over meeting.

Article 2: To see if town would vote to sell a Fire truck, & (2) used compressors and a used generator. Moved and seconded to accept art. and sell these things and place the funds from the sales in a savings account for use at next years town meeting. It was voted yes, non opposed.


Article 3: If town would vote to enact attached Municipal Sign Ordinance. Motion was given, seconded and moderator read the attached Changeable Sign Ordinance to the voters explaining as to the authority, purpose definitions, regulations and administration of said ordinance. It was voted yes to accept this Changeable Sign Ordinance. It was enacted.

Article 4: To see if town would vote the attached changes in the Sewer use ordinance. The change was in Section 2-2.2 section (Q) on the discharges of waste water. This change reflecting the Section (Q) in orig. sewer ordinance. Moved and seconded to accept the change in the ord. being a fee charged per thousand gallons of waste water. Approval by D.E.P. and town selectman must be given before discharge and Selectmen shall set fee rate. Fees shall be set for any utility or industrial discharge. Moved and seconded, and some discussion with Peggy Morgan explaining. It was voted to accept this article. It's a vote.

Article 5: To see if town will vote to sell pie shape piece of property abutting Half way point road. Moved and seconded and it was voted yes to agree to sell this property. It is a vote.

Meeting was adjourned :

Respectfully Submitted:


Joyce P. Halford, Town Clerk