

BERTIE COUNTY, NC



Road Name Change Policy/Petition

**ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING PROCEDURE TO NAME OR RENAME ANY
ROAD WITHIN BERTIE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA**

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.C.G.S. §153A-239.1 a county may by ordinance name or rename any road within the County and not within a city and may pursuant to a procedure established by an ordinance assign or reassign street numbers for use on such a road; and

WHEREAS, the Bertie County Board of County Commissioners have determined that the best interest of the citizens of Bertie County would be served by the adoption of such an ordinance and procedure; and

WHEREAS, **THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BERTIE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA, DOES HEREBY ORDAIN AND ENACT INTO LAW THE FOLLOWING BY ORDINANCE:**

1. This ordinance shall be known as the Ordinance Establishing Procedure To Name, Rename, Or Number Any Road In Bertie County.
2. The procedure for naming or renaming a road in Bertie County is as follows:
 - A. The applicant must acquire a Road Name Petition from the Emergency Management Office of Bertie County which application shall be in the form attached hereto and incorporated by reference. Said form will be supplied free of charge to any applicant.
 - B. Any Petition for naming or renaming a road in Bertie County must be returned to the Emergency Management Office of Bertie County.

C. Within thirty (30) days of receipt of a Petition, the Emergency Management personnel of Bertie County and the Bertie County Tax Office shall review said Petition to determine that said Petition is completed pursuant to the terms of this Ordinance and in all respects complies with this Ordinance.

D. Before any Petition for naming or renaming a road can be acted upon, it must carry the signatures of at least seventy five percent (75%) of the "property owners" adjoining the road.

E. For purposes of this Ordinance, "property owners" are defined as those persons owning any parcel of land which touches or have their only access to their parcel by the road to be named or renamed as determined by the Bertie County Tax Department Mapping Division. Property owners whose access to the public road is by a private named lane are not property owners as defined herein.

1. If a married couple owns an interest in a such a parcel, then the names of both spouses must be on the Petition.

2. If there are individuals owning undivided interests in any parcel of land touching said road as stated above, then seventy-five percent (75%) of the individuals owing an undivided interest in said property must be on the Petition unless there is a determination that owners of the property are minors or unknown.

3. The County's intent is to make sure that owners of at least seventy-five percent (75%) of the property adjoining said road agree to said name or renaming of a road and that a like percentage of owners of undivided interest or marital interests in an adjoining property agree to the said name or name change of the road for that particular piece of real property.

F. After receiving the Petition and reviewing the same after thirty (30) days, if the County determines that said application meets the requirements of this Ordinance, the County will present the application to the fire departments within Bertie County. The fire departments shall recommend approval or disapproval of the name or rename of said road and shall state the reasons for approval or disapproval.

G. After said application has been reviewed by the Emergency Management Office and Bertie County Tax Office Mapping Division to determine its compliance with this Ordinance, and the fire departments of Bertie County for their input, then the County will hold a public hearing upon the request for naming or renaming of a road within the County.

H. The notice of said public hearing will be run twice in a newspaper of general circulation within Bertie County at least two (2) weeks before the date of the public hearing and will be posted on the website of Bertie County for two (2) weeks before the public hearing.

I. At said public hearing, the Bertie County Commissioners shall consider the input of all who appear to speak in favor or opposition of said naming or renaming of a road.

J. Only after said public hearing may the Bertie County Commissioners name or rename a road.

K. All costs incurred in naming a road or renaming a road shall be paid by the property owners affected by the change. The responsible party must be identified at the time of the submission of a Petition. The cost shall be Two Hundred Fifty and 00/100 Dollars (\$250.00), which will include the cost of two (2) road signs and the cost of publication in a newspaper of general circulation within Bertie County for a Petition to name a road or renaming of a road. If more than two (2) road signs are required for intersecting or bisecting roads, the cost of these signs must be borne by the property owners affected by the change. The cost is mandatory without regard to whether or not the Petition to meet the procedures of this Ordinance before the public hearing is noticed whether the matter is advertised for public hearing and whether or not a public hearing is held and the Commissioners do or do not name or rename a road. The cost must be paid in advance at the time of the filing of the application.

The foregoing ordinance was adopted and executed in open session, this 7th day of April, 2015, after being passed at the regular meeting of the Bertie County Board of Commissioners held on the 7th day of

April, 2015, following a Public Hearing on the issue which has been
duly advertised.



Ronald W. Wesson
Chairman

Attest:



Clerk

ROAD NAME PETITION

Number _____

Filed _____

Bertie County Emergency Management
P O Box 530
Windsor, NC 27983
(919)794-5302

It is the goal of Bertie County to name it's roads, lanes, and avenues for the purpose of addressing residential and commercial property. This is done to aid emergency response personnel (fire, Law Enforcement) in locating these parcels with the least amount of time delay. Name requested should represent that which it has been known by the people and emergency service responders of the area.

The General Statutes of the State of North Carolina, GS 153A-240, authorizes the Bertie County Board of Commissioners to name or rename any public road within the County and not within a city. This will be done at the second regular meeting of October of each year. All petitions must be submitted to the Emergency Management Office by July 15th to be heard at the aforementioned meeting.

It is the goal of Bertie County to prevent and eliminated road name duplication or names that are similar to existing road names.

We, the undersigned, present this petition and request that action be taken administratively or a public hearing be called by the Bertie County Board of Commissioners to consider the following matter indicated by a check mark (✓) and described below.

() Assignment of a name to an unnamed road.

() Changing the name of a road.

LOCATION OF ROAD

Described location in relation to major highways or state roads: _____

FIRE DISTRICT/S

If in more than one fire district, list all of them: _____

CITIES AND TOWNS WITHIN FIVE MILES OF ROAD

Please include all cities and towns and indicate which county if outside of Bertie: _____

Property Owners

1. _____

Map & Parcel # _____

2. _____

Map & Parcel # _____

3. _____

Map & Parcel # _____

4. _____

Map & Parcel # _____

5. _____

Map & Parcel # _____

6. _____

Map & Parcel # _____

7. _____

Map & Parcel # _____

8. _____

Map & Parcel # _____

9. _____

Map & Parcel # _____

10. _____

Map & Parcel # _____

Others

1. _____

Map & Parcel # _____

2. _____

Map & Parcel # _____

3. _____

Map & Parcel # _____

4. _____

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Map & Parcel # _____

Property Owners

11. _____

Map & Parcel # _____

12. _____

Map & Parcel # _____

13. _____

Map & Parcel # _____

14. _____

Map & Parcel # _____

15. _____

Map & Parcel # _____

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Map & Parcel # _____

17. _____

Map & Parcel # _____

18. _____

Map & Parcel # _____

19. _____

Map & Parcel # _____

20. _____

Map & Parcel # _____

Others

11. _____

Map & Parcel # _____

12. _____

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20. _____

Map & Parcel # _____

Property Owners

21. _____

 Map & Parcel # _____

22. _____

 Map & Parcel # _____

23. _____

 Map & Parcel # _____

24. _____

 Map & Parcel # _____

25. _____

 Map & Parcel # _____

Others

21. _____

 Map & Parcel # _____

22. _____

 Map & Parcel # _____

23. _____

 Map & Parcel # _____

24. _____

 Map & Parcel # _____

25. _____

 Map & Parcel # _____

COUNTY USE ONLY

Number of property owners along the road _____.

Number of property owners in support of the petition _____.

Number of non-property owners in support of the petition _____.

Percentage of property owners signing the petition _____%.

Administrative Action: _____

Board Action: _____

ROAD NUMBERS

(SR & four digits) SR _____

(Highway Number) N.C. # _____ U.S. # _____

No number ()

PRESENT NAME OF ROAD

Name or names by which the road is known (If the road has no name, write "no name"):

PROPOSED NAME OF ROAD

Name to which road be renamed: _____

RESPONSIBLE PERSON

Name of person to pay for change, including map changes and signs:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Estimated Cost: _____

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Department Name: _____

Check One: _____ Approved _____ Not Approved

If not approved, give reason/s below:

Signature: Chief _____

Secretary _____

Fire Department Name: _____

Check One: _____ Approved _____ Not Approved

If not approved, give reason/s below:

Signature: Chief _____

Secretary _____