# Road Name Ordinance # 2009-01
# Township of Towanda, Bradford County, Pennsylvania

The Board of Supervisors of the Township of Towanda, in the County of Bradford, and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, hereby ordains:

**SECTION I – AUTHORITY**

This ordinance is enacted pursuant to 53 PS. 66506, General Powers, Health & Welfare and 53 PS. 66527 – Secure Public Safety.

**SECTION II – PURPOSE**

It is the purpose of this ordinance to promote the public health, safety, welfare by effectively placing road names into record. In so doing, the municipality is preparing itself and its citizens for the eventual re-addressing phase of the Bradford County 9-1-1 Enhancement Project.

**SECTION III – DEFINITIONS**

Road – Includes any public street, road, lane, court, cul-de-sac, public way, and Public Square, as well as certain private driveways, which are now or shall hereafter become subject to the authority of the Board of Supervisors to name streets.

**SECTION IV – ROAD NAMING**

A. Accompanying the Ordinance and the attached list of road names is a map depicting the Township roads. The map, attached hereto is incorporated hereto by reference, (APPENDIX A)

   For future reference, a full sized copy of the map has been recorded simultaneously with this Ordinance, having been assigned a location in Map Drawer Number _____ Page Number _____ by the Bradford County Register and Recorders Office. (Official Use - To be filled out later.)

B. Attached to this Ordinance and incorporated herein by reference, (APPENDIX B) is a list of all the municipal and private road names.

C. The effect of the of the official Township road map incorporated into and made part of this ordinance shall be to indicate the names and locations of all the Township roads. Any road not included on the said map shall not be deemed to have been vacated by the Board of Supervisors, nor shall the road or road lines indicated thereon be deemed to constitute the opening or establishment of any road, nor the taking or the acceptance of any land for street purposes, nor shall it obligate the Township to improve or maintain any such road. The map shall be in no way conclusive as to the exact and precise location of any road or landmark hereon.

D. Petition to Change the Name of an Existing Street: Upon written petition of at least 2/3 of the persons owning surface rights to property abutting an existing street, the Board of Supervisors may change the name of an existing street, provided that:

(1) The proposed new name shall not duplicate the name of any existing road, as specified in Section 2, E. of the Bradford County Street Naming and Addressing Policy.

(2) In those instances where a road is located in more than one municipality, the petitioners shall obtain the approval of all municipalities within which the street is located.

**SECTION IV – PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT**

With the adoption of this Ordinance, the public has been allotted its opportunity for comment as prescribed by 53 PS. 66601 - Ordinances, and 65 PA. C.S. 701-716 (The Sunshine Act.)

**SECTION V – SEVERABILITY**

If any portion of this Ordinance and any Amendments made hereto are held unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Ordinance and Amendments made hereto shall not be affected and shall remain in full force and effect. If any statute referred to in this Ordinance shall be amended, this Ordinance shall be deemed to refer to such statute amended.

**SECTION VI - ENACTMENT**

With the following signatures the Towanda Township Board of Supervisors agree that the map accurately describes the names of municipal roads in their Township from this date forward.

Adopted this _____ day of _____, 2009.

Township Supervisors of Towanda: _____

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Attest: _____